

Friday 07 February 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

Re: Workington Academy Uniform Expectations & Reminders

As part of our ongoing commitment to maintaining high standards at Workington Academy, I would like to take this opportunity to remind you of our uniform expectations. A smart, consistent uniform is an important part of our ethos, contributing to a positive and focused learning environment for all students.

We would greatly appreciate your support in ensuring that your child is dressed in accordance with our uniform policy. I have enclosed our most up to date Uniform List with this letter. However, below is a reminder of the key uniform rules and expectations:

Key Uniform Expectations:

- **Workington Academy Blazer:** All students must wear a Workington Academy blazer during the school day.
- **White Collared Shirt and Tie:** A plain white collared shirt must be worn with the school tie. The tie must be properly fastened and visible.
- **Tailored Black Trousers or Knee-Length Black Skirt:** Students must wear tailored black trousers or a knee-length black skirt. Leggings, denim or skinny trousers are not permitted under any circumstances.
- **Plain Black Leather School Shoes:** Students must wear plain black leather shoes. Trainers are not allowed, unless there are medical reasons that have been agreed upon in advance.
- **Workington Academy Black Jumper (Optional):** The black jumper is optional and should only be worn underneath the blazer, not as a substitute for the blazer itself.

Additional Uniform Guidelines:

- **Jewellery:** Only one pair of small stud earrings and a wristwatch are allowed. Rings, bracelets, necklaces, and facial piercings are not permitted.
- **Nails:** No unnatural nails, including nail polish, extensions, BIAB or false nails, are allowed.
- **Makeup:** Students may wear discreet makeup only. Excessive or inappropriate makeup is not acceptable.
- **Hair:** Hairstyles should be neat, tidy, and appropriate for a professional learning environment. Unnatural colours or extreme styles are not permitted.

We kindly ask for your support in ensuring that your child is dressed in accordance with these expectations every day. Thank you for your cooperation in helping us maintain the high standards that reflect the values and ethos of Workington Academy. We would like to make you aware that any current issues with the expectations above must be rectified by the return to school after the half-term break, which is **Monday 24th February**.

Please be advised that any student who is not meeting the expectations of our uniform policy will be sanctioned in accordance with our behaviour policy. Should you have any concerns or issues related to your child meeting the requirements of our uniform policy, please do not hesitate to get in touch with your child's Year Group Team, who will be happy to assist and advise.

Your support is vital in ensuring that every student can focus on their education and contribute positively to our school community.

Yours sincerely,

Mr M Bedford

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