

# Uniform Requirements

We take pride in each and every one of our pupils at the academy, and know that they are equally proud to be wearing their academy badge on their uniforms.

Please read this guidance, alongside the [Oasis National Uniform Policy](#) - which outlines responsibilities held by the academy, parents/carers and students. You can also access this policy through our Policies page.

## Why do we have a uniform?

We recognise the value of having academy uniforms for the following reasons:

- **Inclusion** – uniforms promote our belief of inclusion for all
- **A sense of belonging** – the uniform promotes a sense of belonging in each student, academy and the Trust
- **Safety** – if all the students in our Trust wear a clearly recognisable, correctly branded uniform it is easy to identify strangers in the academy. On the way to and from the academy it also affords a degree of safety as the students are part of a large body of young people who will look out for each other
- **Preparation for the future** – many jobs require staff to wear a uniform and even if there isn't a uniform there is often a dress code. Uniform helps young people get used to dressing to a prescribed standard. It also helps them know the difference between formal and informal dress
- **Value for money** – good quality uniform should be seen as effective value for money by most parents / carers
- **Relieves students from fashion 'stress'** – a localised academy uniform eliminates the stress placed on students to purchase and wear expensive, fashionable items
- **A sense of pride** – we all feel proud of our young people when they are well dressed in the uniform. Uniform and PE/sport kits also help students to demonstrate pride in their academy
- **Helps raise aspirations** – the smarter you feel the more you believe you can achieve

## Uniform Suppliers

Our school uniform can be purchased from Debonair, Market Hall, 15 Albion Street, Oldham OL1 3BG, 0161 620 0237. Any non branded items, parents are welcome to purchase from local supermarkets where applicable.

## Nursery to Year 6

Item	Is this a branded item?	Optional or required?	All year or seasonal?
School sweatshirt	Yes	Optional	Seasonal
Royal blue jumper	No	Optional	Seasonal

Grey trousers or grey skirt	No	Required	All year
Pinafore	No	Optional	All year
White polo shirt	No	Required	All year
Black socks	No	Required	All year
Grey or black tights	No	Optional	All year
Smart black shoes	No	Required	All year
Blue and white gingham dress	No	Optional	Seasonal

### Primary PE Kit

Item	Is this a branded item?	Optional or required?	All year or seasonal?
White T shirt	No	Required	All year
Black shorts	No	Required	All year
Pumps / black trainers	No	Required	All year
Swimming costume / swimming trunks	No	Required	All year
Swimming cap	No	Required	All year
Towel for swimming	No	Required	All year

### Appearance/Jewellery

Stud earrings and watches are the only permitted jewellery on site. Pupils wearing any other items of jewellery, including those of religious significance will be asked to remove them for health and safety purposes.

All jewellery will need to be removed for PE, games and swimming.

### Personal Belongings

Please do not send you children to the academy with personal belongings other than those required for study. Mobile phones will be confiscated and any games devices brought in for break times should be done with caution. The school accepts no responsibility for lost items.

## **Religious items**

Some students may wish to wear distinctive garments for religious reasons. As an academy we consult with our parents and community representatives to determine which religious garments are allowed at school.

Religious head coverings may be worn but must be plain and black in colour. These will need to be removed for PE games and swimming lessons.

## **Second hand uniform**

To ensure that uniforms are affordable for everyone and to reduce our carbon footprint, we are working with the Hub to provide a second hand resource base for uniform.

## **Uniform costs and support**

The academy takes the cost of the uniform seriously, and works hard to ensure that those items that are required can be purchased for a reasonable price that provides good value.

If any parents are concerned about the cost of uniform items, please contact your class teacher so we can explore what support is available.