# ACADEMY DRESS CODE

We expect all students in Years 7-11 to conform to the Academy Dress Code. The main reason for this is to encourage students to identify first and foremost with an Academy we hope they are proud of and feel happy to be a part of. It will also ease the pressure that children can put on parents to provide fashionable and often expensive clothes for the Academy. For these reasons the emphasis is on sensible and conventional designs that are suitable for the Academy and resist interpretation according to the latest 'fad'. Similarly, students are expected to maintain standards of appearance with respect to such matters as hairstyle and make-up.

The support of parents is expected in enforcing this policy and it must be remembered that problems arise when the occasional student flouts the rule and others see it as unfair for them to conform to the Academy code when somebody does not.

## ACADEMY DRESS

- Blazer: Plain black with Branston badge
- **Shirt:** Plain white shirt with **top button**, **collar and sleeves**.
- <u>Skirt:</u> Academy pleated skirt, with logo <u>only</u>, with black tights (*skirt currently available from Uniform Direct*)
- <u>Trousers:</u> Plain black straight leg trousers with plain **black** socks. (*Skinny fit, lycra, chinos, cords and drainpipes or excessively flared trousers are* **NOT ALLOWED**).
- Tie: Academy Grey and blue
- <u>Shoes:</u> Black sensible low heeled (*sling-backs, stiletto heels, trainers, boots and canvas are NOT ACCEPTABLE*)

<u>Jumper/</u>

- **Cardigan:** Plain black fine woollen knit 'V' neck, NO ZIPS.
- Scarf/Belt: Plain black
- <u>Coats:</u> Plain black or plain navy blue (not a combination of colours). Hoodies, tracksuit tops, denim, leather and coats with logos are **not allowed** to be **worn or carried**. During the winter months, we recommend that a fluorescent strip is purchased for all those who walk home from the Academy.
- **Jewellery:** One small stud earring is allowed in each ear. A flat signet ring and a watch is allowed.

#### NOT ACCEPTABLE

Nail Varnish or heavy make-up (including lipstick and false eyelashes).

Stretchers, spikes, retainers, helix bar, facial or tongue piercings.

Visible tattoos.

Extremes of hairstyle (e.g. closely shaved heads, minimum number 2, brightly dyed/block or dipdyed coloured hair, braided hair and no tramlines in hair or eyebrows).

Students who fail to comply with the Academy dress code will have break and lunchtime privileges withdrawn. Persistent failure will result in the student being placed in supervised isolation.

Any unacceptable item(s) will be confiscated and held at the General Office, to be collected at the end of that term.

ALL CLOTHING MUST BE MARKED WITH THE STUDENT'S NAME

Blazers should be worn at all times on the Academy site unless otherwise instructed by a member of staff.

If a student has a legitimate medical reason for wearing trainers, a doctor's note is required, otherwise the student will have break or lunchtime privileges withdrawn or be placed in supervised isolation.

### Technology Workshops

White/Blue apron or overall with pocket (not plastic or P.V.C)

## <u>Drama</u>

Clean trainers must be worn in this department.

### PE KIT required – Boys and Girls

- White polo shirt with option of Academy badge (not crew neck, no motif)
- 1 pair navy shorts. Plain with no logos or coloured trim (no cycling shorts)
- 1 pair training shoes
- 1 pair football socks (navy-blue) for outdoor games
- 1 pair white socks for indoor lessons (short/trainer sock)
- Towel for swimming
- Swimming cap plain blue or black (can be purchased from the PE dept for  $\pounds 2$ )
- Strong bag for carrying kit

### PE KIT required – Boys

- Navy/Sky blue branded Rugby shirt
- 1 pair football boots (studded boots not 'Astroturf boots')
- Plain black or navy non-patterned swimming shorts or trunks. Short length above knee. No knee length shorts allowed.
- Gum shield for Rugby
- Shin pads for football

## PE KIT required - Girls

- Navy branded hooded top
- Plain black or navy non-patterned swimming costume. Two-piece is not allowed.

## <u> PE KIT optional – Boys</u>

- Navy branded hooded top
- Swimming goggles
- White base layer (long or short sleeve)

## PE KIT optional – Girls

- Swimming goggles
- White base layer (long or short sleeve)

### Additional PE Information

- Long hair must be tied back
- No jewellery to be worn
- Earrings must be removed
- All items should be named with full surname and initial and tutor group so that lost property can be returned to its owner. Satchels and PE bags should be clearly marked with full name and address.

## Sixth Form

In acknowledgement of their more adult status, there is no list of dress suitable for Years 12 and 13, but because the rest of the Academy is not informal, sixth form students are expected to choose the kind of wear suitable for a classroom working environment.