



GLOUCESTER  
ACADEMY

Dear Parent/Carer

### School Uniform and equipment policy

May I once again thank-you for your help and support as we quickly establish Gloucester Academy as an exceptional school. The vast majority of students behave impeccably and wear their uniform perfectly. This includes to and from school and home.

We published a very simple and clear uniform and equipment policy in June of 2020. This allowed time for everyone to make sure that the correct equipment was bought, including making appointments with the uniform shop by the deadline given.

To support this, we heavily subsidised the new academy items, such as the skirt and tie being provided for free for existing students, so that all students who wished to have one could get the item free of charge.

I am disappointed to write that some students are now pushing the boundaries of the policy and it is taking valuable time and energy away from the serious, and core, business of learning. This is clearly not acceptable and after a month into the first term will not be tolerated.

**Unfortunately we will not be able allow students into lessons after this weekend if they are still not dressed as clearly described in the policy.** We will call yourselves and give you the opportunity to correct the item of uniform, if we are unable to provide it ourselves. The policy states:

‘By attending the school on time and with full equipment (and uniform) we believe that this reflects that a student is fully committed to working hard in a disruption free environment.  
**Students may be withheld from attending lessons’**

May I remind you of a few of the key areas. Please do read the full policy here:

<https://www.gloucesteracademy.com/page/?title=Policies+and+procedures&pid=28>

### **Trousers**

Black, tailored, classic style, full length, **touching the shoes**. **NOT jean like, corduroy, tight or leggings etc.** If a belt is required it should be plain black with a discrete and **small plain buckle**.

### **Socks**

Plain black socks with trousers - NOT trainer socks. Plain white ankle socks (pulled over the ankle) with skirts. No Logos.

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### **Tights**

Plain black tights only. Please note a combination of tights and socks is not permissible.

### **Shoes**

Plain design, polishable, black, with traditional soles and design. No trimmings, logos, excessive buckles, coloured laces, or other decorations. No shoe/trainer hybrids, trainers, fabric shoes, or boots.

### **Coat/Jacket**

Appropriate coat allowed, must be removed prior to entering any part of the building. No hoodies, fabric/knitted tops, cardigans, non-Academy jumpers, sweatshirts, tracksuit tops, waistcoats, sleeveless tops, body warmers, denim or leather jackets.

### **Bags**

These should be as plain as is possible, **we recommend a rucksack style**. They must be able to carry A4 size books and folders and be waterproof. **No plastic bags, shoulder pouches/bags, fashion bags or other inappropriate bags.**

We have a small supply of the correct trousers, and skirts, which we are still willing to provide for free.

As ever we appreciate your support in holding high standards. Also we once again request that you support the ethos of the school with your child, and communicate to the school in the correct manner. Please always email your child's Head of Year as a first point of contact.

Yours faithfully



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