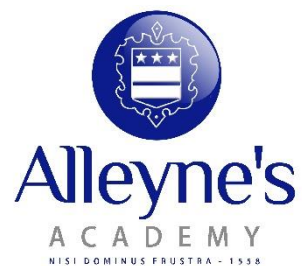


Uniform Policy

2023/2024

Member of Staff responsible: Mr T Tweats

Review Date: June 2024



SCHOOL UNIFORM

The academy uniform policy was designed to ensure pupil’s appearance is acceptable for such a learning environment. There is an expectation that all pupils appearance and dress will be in line with the policy, when at the academy.

When developing our Uniform Policy, we considered the guidance provided by the Department for Education. This guidance is issued under the [Education \(Guidance about Costs of School Uniforms\) Act 2021](#).

The main points that we considered were:

- The total cost of the school uniform;
- Keeping the number of branded items to a minimum;
- Ensuring that the school uniform is available from multiple suppliers;
- Liaising with suppliers to ensure that the uniform represents value for money;

We will support you in buying affordable, good quality clothing for school which can be sourced from a number of suppliers. We also encourage those students leaving in Year 11 to donate unwanted items of uniform and these are made available to parents in the summer term. *Please contact the reception by telephone to establish what items of second-hand uniform we hold in stock.*

The uniform will be checked as part of the PAUSE (punctuality, attendance, uniform, student planner, equipment) programme during registration and Tutor time. School staff will make the decision on whether an item of uniform meets the criteria and if necessary contact their respective Head of Pastoral Support, Assistant Head of Pastoral Support or a member of the Senior Leadership Team.

In September 2023, uniform should be worn as follows:

Black blazer with the school badge	No rolled-up sleeves
Standard plain black trousers or	No hipsters, jean style, flared trousers with exposed fashion buttons or zips.
Alleyne’s Castle Tartan Skirt (Year 9 only) School black knee length skirt (Years 10&11)	This is the only style of skirt that will be permitted – lycra, tube or ‘stretch skirts’ may not be worn
White plain school shirt	
School clip on tie – House colours	
Black plain V neck jumper with or without the school logo	Wearing of the school jumper is optional – No other style of jumper can be worn, this includes

	<i>hoodies and sweatshirts. Jumpers can only be worn under a blazer and not in place of.</i>
Solid black shoes	Canvas, pumps or any brand of sports trainer or fabric style shoes are not permitted
Plain dark coloured coat	No denim or leather
PE Kit	
Black shorts, black socks, Alleyne's white sports top or plain white polo shirt and trainers.	
Recommended for outdoor wear: Black tracksuit or black leggings, Alleyne's rugby top and football boots.	

Please note: The Alleyne's Castle Tartan Skirt will be phased in as part of the school uniform, starting with the Year 9 intake in September 2023. In addition, if students in Years 10 and 11 persistently wear an incorrect skirt (that is not listed in the permitted uniform section of the policy), then they will be expected to wear trousers as an alternative. This will be in the best interests of both the child and parent/carer in order to keep the child safe in school and the wider community.

Fashion items of clothing are not suitable for school. Denim is not allowed at all. Excessive make-up and fashion jewellery are unsuitable for school and can pose a health and safety risk. Excessive make-up will need to be removed. Hair styles must be appropriate for school; extreme hairstyles are not allowed e.g. shaved heads, Mohicans, brightly coloured dyed hair. Earrings should be unobtrusive studs or sleepers; a single stud or sleeper may be worn in each ear; certainly, no hoops or ear expanders. We do not allow any further body or facial piercing.

The Headteacher may send the student home after consultation with the parents/carers to remedy breaches of the school's rules on appearance or uniform. This is not an exclusion but an authorised absence. However, if the student continues to breach uniform rules in such a way as to avoid school, the student's absence may be counted as an unauthorised absence.

It is important that all items of clothing and other possessions are clearly marked with the student's name, either a name tape or indelible biro. The suppliers of the blazer and school skirts are, together with any other uniform are:

Smart School Uniform

Unit 9 Barracks Square

Newcastle

Staffordshire

ST15 1LG

Website: www.smartuniform.co.uk

Email: sales@smartuniform.co.uk

Tel: 01782 621721

Tel: Freephone 08000 681782

School's In

Unit 11

Emerald Way

Stone Business Park

Stone

Staffordshire

ST15 0SR

Website: www.schoolsinuniform.co.uk

Email: sales@schoolsinuniform.co.uk

Tel: 01785 286700

Crested School Wear

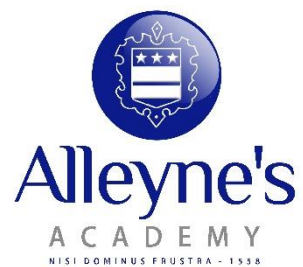
5-6 St Mary's Mews

Stafford

Website: www.crestedschoolwear.co.uk

Email: thefunkyshirtcompany@blueyonder.co.uk

Tel: 01785 748481



PERMITTED UNIFORM GUIDANCE

Notes:

Footwear

Recent fashion trends have led to a gradual increase of casual black shoes with leather uppers that appear at first glance to be acceptable school footwear. These include popular brands such as Converse, Vans, Adidas, New Balance, Puma and Nike. Although these companies often promote these products as 'school shoes', in our view footwear of this type is totally inappropriate and is not be permitted.

Skirts

We are also conscious that many girls do wear skirts of inappropriate length and need your support to ensure that skirts are a suitable length. Our uniform suppliers stock a choice of school skirts in various lengths with the school name embroidered on the waistband. Alternatively, parents/carers may choose a variety of sources from where to purchase a skirt as long as it conforms to the colour and style as the school branded skirts.

Trousers

These should be black and tailored with no visible zips or press studs. Jeans or any denim style material, even if black, are not acceptable. Leggings or alternative trousers that are tight fitting are also not permitted. Please also note that hoodies and tracksuit tops cannot be worn on the school premises. If your child is inappropriately dressed he/she will be sent home or a parent/carer expected to drop off the correct uniform.

In addition - Mobile Devices

Mobile devices cannot be used at all during the school day because of the negative effect on student learning. Teachers will confiscate devices from those students not abiding by the rules; these will be kept securely in the main office. A call will be made home with the requirement for a parent/carer to collect the device on their child's behalf if it is confiscated on more than one occasion per half term. Please impress upon your child that this procedure will be followed consistently, so it is his/her responsibility to follow our mobile devices rules. Please refer to our school website for the policy.

Permitted Uniform:

A condition of student entry to classes at Alleyne’s Academy is the wearing of full school uniform and strict adherence to our dress code. Please use the following examples of acceptable trousers and shoes. The images below will hopefully act as a guide when purchasing the uniform. Please note that skirts must be modest length and trousers must not be tight fitting.

Acceptable girls’ and boys’ Footwear



Acceptable skirts and acceptable trousers



Yr. 9 only



Unacceptable Uniform:

Footwear

Footwear that is sold as a trainer / pump with a noticeable logo e.g. Nike, Adidas, Puma, New Balance or Converse logo. No heeled shoes or boots and no canvas, suede or mesh material.



Skirts and Trousers

There can be no zips, writing or studs on the trousers, in addition they cannot be drainpipe or tight fitting (no leggings). There certainly cannot be ankles on show. Similarly the skirts cannot be too short.



Hoodies and Tracksuit tops

Hoodies (of any description) and tracksuit tops are not acceptable.

