

# Iffley Academy School Uniform Policy

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# **School Uniform Policy**

At Iffley Academy we believe school uniform is important in promoting positive attitudes, high standards and a sense of personal pride and belonging. With the exception of our sixth form students, we encourage all students to wear school uniform. We recognise that children with SEND may need additional flexibility and we will work with individual parents to ensure that we are meeting their needs.

On occasion when students are encouraged to wear non-school uniform, e.g. on fundraising or star treat days, parents/carers will be informed in advance by letter or email.

Students attending the 6<sup>th</sup> form do not need to wear school uniform but an appropriate standard of dress is still encouraged.

#### **Aims**

Our school uniform policy is based on the belief that school uniform:

- promotes a sense of pride in the school
- engenders a sense of community and belonging towards the school
- is practical and smart
- identifies the pupils with the school
- supports inclusivity and allows students to feel equal to their peers
- is regarded as suitable wear for school
- is designed with health and safety in mind

#### Jewellery

For health and safety reasons we ask students not to wear jewellery in school. The exceptions to this rule are students with pierced ears who should only wear studs, small watches or activity monitors and small objects of religious significance.

Students will be encouraged to remove some of these objects during PE and games to prevent them from causing injury.

### **Footwear**

For health and safety reasons, students are also encouraged to wear sensible footwear, preferably in black. Shoes with high heels or open toed sandals are likely to be health and safety risks and therefore are not encouraged as part of school uniform.

There may be occasions where specialist footwear is required e.g. in the construction room. This will be provided by the academy.



Students may be asked to bring in waterproof shoes or wellingtons when engaged in some off-site activities e.g. Hill End or City Farm. This will be communicated to parents and carers in advance of the activity.

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Students are encouraged to change their clothing for PE and wear a T-shirt or sweatshirt and jogging bottoms or shorts. Plimsolls or trainers are acceptable footwear.

# The role of parents/carers

We encourage all parents/carers to support their child to wear uniform and to ensure that it is clean and in good repair. There may be occasions when a staff member may contact parents/carers to discuss their child's uniform.

We are a diverse school community and welcome students from all backgrounds and faith communities. Any requests from parents/carers for their child to wear clothes that are different from the school uniform, will be discussed on an individual basis.

# The role of the Local Academy Board

The Local Academy Board monitors and reviews the school uniform policy. It is the LAB responsibility to ensure that the school uniform meets all regulations concerning equal opportunities. Governors ensure that the school uniform policy helps children to dress sensibly, in clothing that is hardwearing, safe and practical.

#### Uniform

The Iffley Academy uniform consists of:

- purple sweatshirt with grey embroidery and/or grey sweatshirt with purple embroidery
- grey polo shirt with purple embroidery
- black skirt
- black shorts
- black tailored trousers or jogging bottoms (without stripes or large logos)
- black shoes or trainers

Uniform can be ordered from the academy's supplier PMG Schoolwear online or by telephone: 0800 404 6644.

Our uniform policy is designed to be inclusive and is not gender specific.