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SECTION 1 Introduction and Expectations

All students are representing the Academy as soon as they are wearing the Academy uniform. We expect students to wear their uniform with pride at all times, from when they leave home to arrive at the Academy and until they return home in the evening.

SECTION 2 The Uniform from September 2023

Blazer (compulsory)

Students are expected to wear the Academy blazer at all times. Blazers may be purchased from the approved supplier or you may wish to purchase a blazer elsewhere and purchase a school badge separately for £5.00. Sleeves rolled down at all times.

Trousers (compulsory)

Trousers can be purchased from any uniform supplier and must be formal, straight leg, plain black with no zips, studs or patterns. All pockets must go into the trouser and must not be visible from the outside. Trousers which cling to the ankle (similar to leggings) are not suitable for Aston Academy.

The following trousers are not suitable for school

Jeans, chinos, leggings, jeggings, skinny trousers, slim trousers, bootleg hipsters, 'paper bag' trousers (see pictures on page 6).

Jumpers (optional)

A plain, all black, V-necked jumper or V-necked, buttoned cardigan can be worn by students. There must be no logos and buttons must be all black. Round neck jumpers and hoodies are not allowed.

School bag

All students must bring a suitable bag to school which should be able to hold an A4 book, PE kit and stationery.

Ties, belts and accessories

Ties must be the clip-on version. Belts must be plain black with no logos, patterns or any other colours. Socks must be plain black or dark and are not allowed to be rolled over the knee. Tights must be plain black or neutral, no patterned tights. Head scarves can be worn as part of religious observance but should be plain black (no logos, embroidery, fringing or beading).

Shirts

Shirts must be completely white, short or long sleeved, with a top button present and fastened at all times. White shirts can be purchased from any retailer. Students must always have shirts fully tucked in. Sleeves on blazers and shirts must always be rolled down. No embroidered logos.

Skirts (Compulsory)

If your child wishes to wear a skirt it can be purchased from any uniform supplier and must be formal/professional looking, pencil/straight line or pleated, plain black with no zips, studs or patterns and must be worn to knee length. The skirt must not be rolled up at the waist.

Tights must be skin coloured or black. Students must not wear leggings instead of tights.

Footwear

Shoes must look formal and be completely black - the laces must also be black. The material should be leather or look like leather (patent and suede are allowed) with no logos or tags visible (Doc Martens and Boys/Girls Kickers [Fragma] are the only exception). Any buckles should be black or silver (smaller than 3cm) and small bows must be also black (smaller than 3cm). Heels should be no higher than 1inch. No trainers, pumps or canvas shoes will be allowed (see pictures on page 8).

Hair

Only natural hair colours are permitted. Any hairstyle deemed to be extreme due to the cut/colour will be addressed by the school and the student will be given a timeframe to allow for the correction to take place. Hair accessories must be discreet – no bandanas or large bows.

Makeup

This must be natural looking or discreet. False eyelashes and false/acrylic nails are not permissible. Filled in eyebrows which look unnatural, spray tan/fake tan, bright lipstick and heavy eye make-up is unacceptable. Students will be expected to remove 'excess' makeup before accessing their normal timetable.

Jewellery

Only 1 watch and a pair of small, plain stud earrings can be worn by students whilst they are at school. Coloured studs, large stud earrings, stretchers, sleepers, bars and spikes are not permitted and must be removed if seen. Any extra jewellery must be removed. No facial piercings are allowed, including tongue piercings. This includes clear piercings. Students will be expected to remove and hand in any extra piercings and/or jewellery which will be stored safely until the end of the school day.

Outdoor Clothing

Students are allowed to wear clothing such as outdoor coats, jackets, hoodies, scarves, hats, caps, gloves and snoods travelling to and from the Academy. However, all outerwear must be removed once inside the building.

The following are acceptable:

- Black/tortoiseshell coloured hair clips, grips, bobbles or Alice bands
- A watch can be worn on the wrist
- One pair of small plain studs (gold or silver) in any part of the ear

Summer Uniform

Please see addendum on page 9.

Non-compliance with the academy uniform policy could lead to the following sanctions being implemented:

1. All students will be made aware of the sanctions linked to non-compliance with the academy uniform policy
2. If a student is not following the uniform policy, they will be given an agreed time frame to rectify the issue
3. If the issue continues, students will be expected to complete their learning in Reflection until the uniform issue is corrected
4. If the student continues to refuse to follow the policy, then this could lead to a suspension

5. A student could be permanently excluded if they persistently refuse to follow the academy uniform policy

- If your child has any medical issue which does not allow compliance with this policy, please seek advice from the Year Team via uniform@astonacademy.org prior to purchasing uniform items.
- If you are unsure whether items of uniform are suitable please check with the Year Teams before you purchase them. Seek advice on any extreme changes to hairstyles if unsure.
- If you require any support regarding purchasing uniform items, please speak to someone in the Year Team.

SECTION 3 PE Kit for Girls and Boys

The Aston Academy PE kit consists of:

- Black Aston t-shirt with logo
- Black Aston half zip training top with logo
- Plain black bottoms (shorts, tracksuit bottoms or sports leggings)
- Black socks
- Trainers for PE lessons
- Studded boots for all outdoor lessons on the field (recommended)



The PE kit with Aston logo can be purchased from either of the suppliers below.

- Imperial Sports eshop – www.imperial-sportsltd.co.uk
- Pinders School wear – www.pindersschoolwear.com, Mansfield Road, Aston, Sheffield, S26 2BS.

All other non-logo items can be purchased from any retail outlet of your choice.

SECTION 4 Trousers

These trousers are not approved



- No chinos
- No zips or other details on the ankle
- No skinny fitting trousers
- No leggings
- No 'paper bag' trousers
- Any detail such as metal studs and patterns on trousers deems them unsuitable



These trousers are approved



SECTION 5 Skirts

These skirts are not approved



- No jersey skirts
- No tube skirts
- No stretchy/bodycon skirts
- No skater skirts
- No mini or maxi skirts
- Any detail such as metal studs and patterns on skirts deems them unsuitable



These skirts are approved



- Permitted skirts must be knee length



SECTION 6 Footwear

This footwear is not approved



No trainers or sports shoes



No metallic/plastic/colourful logos



No canvas, leather pumps, sneakers or skating shoes

This footwear is approved



All shoes must be plain black and made of leather or material which looks like leather



Kickers (Fragma)/Kicker-style shoes and Doc Marten/Doc Marten-style shoes are permitted



Boots may be worn as long as trousers cover the ankle, but cannot be worn with a skirt

Addendum

Please note that in the event that the Met Office makes an official announcement linked to **extreme weather conditions during the summer term, the academy may make the following announcement.

‘Students may, if they wish to, choose to wear the academy PE kit to school instead of their standard academy uniform. There should be no deviations from this’.

The academy will make the announcement on a day-to-day basis. **Students should only attend in their PE kit if this announcement has been officially made** to parents/carers via email. The decision will be made by the principal and communicated as soon as possible prior to the day.

** Extreme heat is defined as a period of high heat and humidity with temperatures above 32 degrees for at least two or three days.

**On warmer days, the Principal may decide to relax certain aspects of the uniform policy such as allowing students to remove blazers and / or ties.