

## School Standards (2023-24)

We ask all parents/carers to ensure they have read and understood the following information.

### CORE VALUES/COMMITMENTS

Our core values centre on a 'Commitment to Excellence' in everything that we do – a commitment underpinned with 3 core principles: Firstly, **Exceptional Values** – mutual respect, courtesy, manners, exemplary standards and impeccable uniform – all the things we know our parents and carers value. We underpin it also with **Exceptional Learning and Teaching** – inspirational lessons delivered in a wonderful learning environment using the very latest technology. And of course, we underpin it with **Exceptional Achievement**, not only in terms of academic achievement but also the vast range of student successes that we celebrate each and every day.

So how do we achieve our success? Well, from each student, we ask for three commitments:

- Respect yourself and others;
- Give the very best of yourself;
- And most importantly, believe in yourself.

### UNIFORM

Wade Deacon pupils demonstrate their 'Commitment to Excellence' by wearing our Academy uniform with pride. Uniform appearance should be neat and tidy.

Pupils are required to travel to and from the school in the correct uniform.

Our uniform consists of the following:

- Black blazer with blue trim and school badge;  
Blue/Black tartan skirt or black trousers (skirt length should be just above the knee);
- White shirt;
- School tie, to be worn at a standard length, with school crest on display;
- Sensible plain black shoes;
- Plain white socks (no ribbons/bows) or navy-blue tights;
- Plain Black V neck jumper;
- Scarves are permitted but must be worn outside;
- Hoodies are not acceptable on the school premises.





## **PE Kit**

The Wade Deacon PE kit consists of the following:

- Black & red shirt;
- Black and red shorts/skort (the length of shorts/skort should be just above the knee to mid-thigh);
- Plain black sports socks (knee length);
- Suitable sports trainers;
- Studded boots;
- \*Black and red ¼ zip top;
- \*Plain black sports leggings;
- \*Towel.
- \*Optional items

## **APPROPRIATE SCHOOL FOOTWEAR**

- Shoes must be black in colour. There should be no coloured stitching or coloured flashes visible on the shoe (excluding the small label on the side of Kickers school shoes).
- Vivienne Westwood 'Melissa' style shoes, including those with a black logo are not permitted, see images 1-4 on the next page for further clarity; **please do not purchase them.**
- Trainers or trainer style shoes are not permitted, **please do not purchase them.**
  - This includes Hugo Boss, Cruyff, Adidas Stan Smith, Kickers or any other brands; the named examples are not an exhaustive list, please see images 7-11 on the next page for further clarity.
- Shoes must be able to be polished, please note that patent leather shoes are acceptable, however, suede leather is not permitted.
- Heels over 2cm are not allowed.
- Open toe shoes are not allowed.
- No boots of any description are permitted, see image 5 & 12 on the next page for further clarity.
- No platforms, sandals, slingbacks or fashion shoes are allowed.
- Canvas pumps will not be acceptable as school shoes or for use in Physical Education lessons.

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**IF YOU ARE UNSURE REGARDING WHICH SCHOOL SHOES ARE DEEMED AS ACCEPTABLE, PLEASE CONTACT SCHOOL BEFORE MAKING YOUR PURCHASE.**

## **EQUIPMENT**

Pupils must come to school every day with:

- Black pen;
- Purple pen;
- Pencil;
- Ruler;
- Protractor;
- Pair of compasses;
- Calculator;
- Glue stick;
- Basic pack of coloured pencils;
- The correct exercise and text books for each lesson;
- Any extra equipment needed for Technology, PE, etc;
- Homework when required.

Pupils will need to keep this equipment organised in an appropriate school bag, designed to carry books and equipment.

## **HAIR**

- A pupil's haircut is a very important part of their overall presentation.
- Hair accessories must be only plain white, navy blue or black in colour.
- Hair bands should be plain in their appearance.
- Religious head coverings are permitted.
- The school will not accept extreme haircuts (extreme haircuts will be judged at the school's discretion).
- The school reserves the right to internally exclude pupils with extreme hairstyles.
- Pupils are not allowed to have extreme hair colours; colour change should appear natural.
- Shoulder length hair should be tied back for all practical lessons.

## **MAKE-UP**

- Make up is not permitted (this includes fake eyelashes).
- Pupils who wear make-up will be asked to remove it immediately.
- Pupils failing to do so when asked will face appropriate sanctions.

## **JEWELLERY**

- Bracelets are not permitted, pupils wearing bracelets will be asked to remove them immediately. Pupils who repeatedly wear bracelets will face appropriate sanctions.
- Any inappropriate jewellery will be confiscated.
- The school cannot accept responsibility for the safe keeping of jewellery.
- Pupils may wear a wristwatch.
- Smart watches are permitted but they must be used responsibly, they are not to be used as a communication device.
- Pupils may also wear a cross or other symbol of faith for religious reasons but it may not be visible.
- Pupils with medical conditions can wear an identity tag.
- All jewellery must be removed for Physical Education.
- No badges are to be worn other than those issued by the school and one charity badge.

## **NAILS**

- Pupils are not permitted to wear nail polish. Pupils who arrive to school with nail polish on will be asked to remove it immediately.

- Pupils are not permitted to wear acrylic nails. Pupils who arrive to school wearing acrylic nails will be given two days to remove them. It is the responsibility of parents/carers to support school and ensure the acrylic nails are removed; failure to do so may result in internal exclusion.
- Pupils who repeatedly break the rules above will face appropriate sanctions and where relevant, will not be given the two days' grace to rectify the issue in question.
- Again, we ask our parents/carers to support school by not allowing their child to wear fake/acrylic nails during the school term.

**PIERCINGS**

- Pupils are not permitted to wear any form of facial or body piercing; this includes micro/clear studs.
- Pupils will be asked to remove earrings/nose studs immediately (even if the child has recently had the piercing done).
- Pupils are not allowed to cover piercings with plasters.
- Pupils who persistently violate these rules will face appropriate sanctions in line with the school's behaviour policy.

**TATTOOS**

- Tattoos are not permitted.
- The law states that it is an offence for any person to tattoo a person under the age of 18, with or without the parents'/carers' consent.
- The school will report any tattooing to the Local Authority's Environmental Health Officer and parents/carers will be contacted.

**MOBILE PHONES / ELECTRONIC DEVICES**

- Whilst the school accepts that pupils may require a mobile phone for emergency purposes, mobile phones should not be used, seen or heard during the day.
- Mobile phones should be switched off, parents and carers wishing to speak to pupils should contact reception.
- Inappropriate use of a mobile phone or similar electronic devices will result in it being confiscated and a letter sent home.
- Pupils who repeatedly break this rule will face appropriate sanctions.
- Earphones are not permitted in school. They should not be seen or heard during the day.
- Please note, mobile phones may be used to enhance teaching and learning only if planned for in advance by the class teacher. Pupils must not take the opportunity to abuse trust and should only use their mobile phone for the intended activities planned.
- We ask that all parents/carers are aware of our Mobile Phone Policy, this can be found on the school's website.

**MOVEMENT AROUND SCHOOL**

- Pupils should circulate the school grounds in a calm and orderly manner.
- Where appropriate, pupils should follow the one-way system and use the correct staircases.
- On all staircases pupils should stay to the left.
- Pupils who fail to follow the rules above and do not maintain good order in and around our school site will face appropriate sanctions.
- Pupils who arrive to school by bicycle should always follow the highway code and dismount their bicycle when they are on site.

**We ask that all parents/carers are aware of our Behaviour Policy, this can be found on the school's website.**