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Dear Parents/Carers

Maintaining High Standards: Uniform Expectations Reminder

As we approach the end of another successful academic year, I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your continued support and to remind families of our school uniform expectations ahead of September.

At George Eliot Academy, we pride ourselves on having high expectations of all our pupils. Our school uniform is an essential part of our school ethos and helps to promote pride, belonging and a positive attitude towards learning. We ask that all pupils arrive at school each day in clean, neat, and correct uniform, demonstrating pride in being part of George Eliot Academy community.

Before purchasing any items for the new academic year, we encourage all families to familiarise themselves with the Uniform Policy, which is available on our website: [Uniform Policy 25.26](#)

We are grateful for your continued support in maintaining the high standards of uniform and appearance we expect at George Eliot Academy. As we approach the end of the academic year, we have noticed an increase in a small number of pupils attending in incorrect uniform. We would therefore like to remind families of some key expectations and ask that these are adhered to for the remainder of this term and when preparing for the new academic year.

All pupils are expected to wear the official George Eliot Academy blazer, a white shirt with long or short sleeves tucked in with the top button fastened, a school tie worn correctly, and either black tailored trousers, black tailored knee-length shorts or a black pleated knee-length school skirt. Pupils should wear plain black opaque or flesh-coloured tights, or plain black or white socks, together with plain black, flat-heeled school shoes. Trainers are not permitted as part of the school uniform.

Trousers must be full-length, smart and business-like. Jeans, jogging bottoms, leggings, flared leggings and fashion trousers designed to resemble leggings are not permitted.

Please note that George Eliot Academy V-neck jumper with green trim is optional and is not a compulsory item of uniform.



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All pupils are expected to attend PE lessons wearing the correct George Eliot Academy PE kit. We would particularly like to remind families that whilst sports leggings are optional, where pupils choose to wear leggings instead of plain black shorts, **they must be official George Eliot Academy branded sports leggings**. Unbranded leggings are not permitted.

Please also ensure that pupils adhere to our expectations regarding personal presentation. Jewellery should be limited to a watch, school badges, one small pair of plain ear studs and one bracelet. Smart watches and other wearable technology are not permitted in school. No nail varnish is permitted. Acrylic nails are not permitted and nails must not be of excessive or impractical length. Hair should be neat, of a natural colour and without extreme styles, patterns or shapes. Make-up and eyelashes should be discreet and natural looking.

Pupils should bring a double-strapped backpack that is large enough to carry A4 books and equipment. Handbags and small cross-body bags are not permitted. Full details of equipment requirements can be found in the Uniform Policy.

We also encourage families to make use of our second-hand uniform provision where appropriate. Good-quality pre-loved uniform is available through George Eliot Academy PTA at reduced cost. Parents/carers wishing to donate or enquire about second-hand uniform should contact Lorraine Lewis via the Academy.

We recognise that uniform issues can occasionally arise. Where a pupil attends in incorrect uniform, Academy staff will work with pupils and families to support them in meeting our uniform expectations. Pupils are expected to adhere to the Uniform Policy at all times. Where concerns arise, these will be addressed in line with the Academy's Behaviour Policy.

Should there be any seasonal changes to uniform expectations during the academic year, these will be communicated to parents/carers via Arbor. Should you have any questions regarding the Uniform Policy, please do not hesitate to contact the Academy.

Thank you for your continued support throughout this academic year. We wish all pupils and families a safe, restful and enjoyable summer break and look forward to welcoming pupils back in September.

Yours sincerely



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