

Ravens Academy Uniform Expectations



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Introduction

All pupils must wear the correct uniform when attending school, or when participating in school organised events outside normal school hours. We ask pupils to take a pride in their personal appearance. Uniform is easily available at very competitive prices and can be purchased from most local shops, including supermarkets and from specialist school shops for logo items such as jumpers, cardigans and t-shirts. You can find a complete list of the items needed for school uniform including those for Physical Education detailed below.

Aims and objectives

At Ravens Academy, we believe that correct, consistent school uniform:

- Promotes a sense of pride;
- Helps to create a sense of community and belonging;
- Contributes to positive behaviour;
- Supports our commitment to inclusion;
- Prevents children from wearing 'fashion clothes' that could lead to unnecessary distraction and even bullying
- Is practical, smart and designed with health and safety in mind

Affordability

School uniforms can be very expensive, as such at Ravens Academy we have made a conscious effort to keep costs to a minimum. We have achieved this by ensuring logo items are limited to key items such as jumpers and cardigans. All other items need to be generic and non-branded.

Additional resources

In a further effort to save parents money, pupils do not need to provide equipment for lessons – the school will provide any and all equipment required. As such, pencil cases etc. are not permitted in school.

Physical appearance

Jewellery (other than one small pair of studded earrings,) hair accessories, make-up and nail varnish are not permitted for any reason. Pupils are required to remove any items during PE lessons to prevent them from causing injury. Pupils wearing varnish, will be asked to remove it.

Please note: staff are not permitted to remove earrings, without the permission on a parent.

Hair bands, ribbons/bows or scrunchies should be small and white, black or blue. Hair bands should not have large flowers attached. Hair accessories should not act as a distraction. Pupils who breach these guidelines will be given a 24-hour grace period to rectify the situation. The school uphold the right to send pupils home thereafter, for a short period of time or until the school policy can be upheld.

Extreme hairstyles are not permitted in school, examples of such are as follows:

- No decorative patterns or lines cut into their hair
- The use of styling products must be kept to a minimum

Footwear

For health and safety reasons we do not allow pupils to wear shoes with platform soles or high heels. All pupils are required to wear plain black shoes without logos (or boots in the winter) as stated in the uniform list. If boots are worn these should also be plain black. If boots are too large and prevent children from sitting comfortably on the floor they may be asked to change into their PE pumps whilst inside the school building. Flip-flops in the summer are not permitted as they pose a health and safety risk.

The Role of Parents

Parents must ensure that their child has the correct uniform including PE kit and that it is clean and in good condition. In addition, all items must be clearly labelled with the child's name. If a parent has difficulties for any reason with fulfilling this request, they are encouraged to speak confidentially to a senior member of staff to discuss the issues. Parents should be assured that we will do all we can to help. Children who arrive at school wearing incorrect uniform will be loaned an appropriate item from our nearly new collection to wear for that day. The same system will apply for children who do not have a PE kit. Parents will be contacted to discuss the matter as per school policy. If any parent would like to request a modification to the uniform policy they should, in the first instance, contact the Principal. Pupils arriving at school in the incorrect uniform due to the item being lost or forgotten will be given a Yellow card as per school policy.

PE Kit

On PE days pupils are required to wear their PE kit to school, this eliminates the risk of uniform getting lost or mixed up with other pupils, whilst ensuring maximised time for actual physical education to take place. Our PE kit consists of black or navy-blue shorts, leggings or tracksuit bottoms (not baggy jogging bottoms) and a white polo top. Jumpers are permitted in the colder wear. Trainers are allowed but to be either black, white, or navy blue.





Crew Neck Sweatshirt
From £13.75



Cardigan
From £14.35



Polo
From £8.25



Book Bag
From £8.00



Boys Blazer
From £34.50



Girls Blazer
From £34.50

Pupil Name x 36

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Pupil Name x 72

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Name Tapes (36 labels)
From £6.40

Name Tapes (72 labels)
From £8.50

