



GARSTANG COMMUNITY ACADEMY

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Subject: **Finalised** Garstang Community Academy Uniform Changes

Dear Parent(s)/Carer(s),

We hope you are well.

A huge thank you to everyone who took the time to complete our new school uniform consultation. Following the recent family re-vote, which was introduced due to differing views between our students and adults, we are pleased to share the finalised uniform arrangements for September 2026.

<u>GCA Uniform September 2026</u>		<u>Expectations</u>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Branded navy blazer ● White shirt ● Tie ● Grey trousers or grey pleated skirt with black tights ● Smart, black shoes 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● The blazer will be expected to be worn at all times. ● Tights will be expected to be worn at all times and must be a minimum denier of 60. ● Skirt will not be rolled and will cover the thigh to the knee. ● No trainers/trainer style shoes

The family vote revealed that 60% of you preferred the blazer with some of your comments including:

“This was the decision from both parents and pupil in this household, we feel it’s smart, hard-wearing and offer the most comfort all year round”.

“Cost efficient, heavy duty, and looking very smart and presentable”.

“Blazer as already bought and would mean more expense buying uniform again”.

“Blazer looks smarter. Lasts longer. Has pockets for the students to use so therefore more practical”.

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As per our previous communication, to phase this in fairly, the following year groups will be required to wear the new uniform starting in September 2026:

Year 7 (current Year 6 students)

Year 9 (current Year 8 students)

Year 10 (current Year 9 students)

Our rationale for this phased approach is that current Year 8 and 9 students will have worn their existing uniforms for two and three years respectively. Given their natural growth over this time, it is highly likely that they will need replacement items for the new academic year regardless. Naturally, if Year 8 (current Year 7) and Year 11 (current Year 10) would like to wear the new uniform that would be a parental decision. Thereafter from September 2027, all Year Groups would be wearing the new uniform. Students will also be able to wear their existing PE top until they grow out of it.

<p><u>PE Kit</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Branded gender-neutral polo shirt ● Branded gender-neutral shorts OR unbranded NAVY leggings ● Plain black socks ● Trainers <p><u>Items removed</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Skort 		<p><u>Advised Extra's</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Branded Navy and Red 1/4 zip jumper ● Navy/Black sleeved skins for inclement weather ● Gum shield ● Shin pads ● Football boots ● Navy football socks
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Thank you for your continued support and partnership.

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