## **Neale-Wade Academy**



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## **Uniform Expectations**

It is our vision to build confidence and pride in our students, through opportunity and success. Our behaviour policy begins with students being Ready, Respectful and Safe. Wearing our school uniform is an essential part of this. All students should wear school uniform when attending school or when participating in school organised events outside normal school hours.

Our expectations regarding school uniform are based on the notion that school uniform:

- Promotes a sense of pride in the school
- Engenders a sense of community and belonging towards the school
- Is practical and smart Identifies the students with the school
- Protects students from social pressures to dress in a particular way
- Reflects the ethos that school is a place of work and purpose.
- Is regarded as suitable wear for school and good value for money.
- Can assist identification of unauthorised people on site

General Uniform			
Neale-Wade Blazer	Black blazer with school logo to be worn at all times  Blazers will NOT be required to be worn from May half term each year	Embroidered blazer available through SWI school supplier.  Plain black blazer available through other retailers. An embroidered badge will need to be purchase and sewn on.	
Neale-Wade tie	Gold, orange and red Academy tie  Ties will NOT be required to be worn from May half term each year	Purchased through SWI school supplier.	
White shirt	Long or short sleeve white shirt with a collar which can hold a tie.	Can be purchased from any school clothing retailer.	





Black trousers Black	Trousers should be standard trouser material, such as cotton.	Black trousers can be purchased from any school clothing retailer.
	Denim, corduroy, Lycra, leggings or jeggings are not permitted.	
Black tailored shorts (Optional)	Tailored shorts are "on the knee" and are made of standard trouser material, such as cotton.	Can be purchased from any school retailer.
	No sports shorts or fashion shorts including denim, lycra or similar. No logos.	Shorts are to be worn with black footwear and socks / tights.
Black/dark socks or plain dark tights	Must not be white / coloured nor patterned.	Can be purchased from any school clothing retailer.
Black footwear	Smart and sensible black shoes or trainers can be worn.  If trainers are purchased they must be plain black, with no coloured logos or embellishments.	Black shoes/trainers can be purchased from any retailer.
Neale-Wade jumper	A burgundy school jumper is optional. This is a sensible option for colder days.	Purchased through SWI school supplier.
Jewellery	A discreet necklace and/or bracelet may be worn as long as it does not interfere with learning or represent a safety hazard.  A wrist watch may be worn.  A single pair of simple stud earrings, one in each ear, is allowed.	No other piercings are allowed. If seen, students will be asked to remove them. If this is refused we will implement our behaviour policy.  Nose piercings are not permitted and will be asked to be removed.
Make-up and nails	Nail extensions are not allowed in school.  Discreet level of make-up can be worn.	Students will be asked to remove extensions.  Make-up must not be applied in lessons.



Mobile phones / Electronic devices	Students may bring mobile phones to school, but they must be kept switched off and in bags during the school day.  They are not permitted at break and lunch times.	If mobile devices are seen, they will be confiscated.  The school cannot take responsibility for the loss of any electronic device.
Hair style and colour	Extreme hair styles and colours are not permitted.	
Outdoor coats	It is important to have a coat for cold and wet weather. A plain, dark coat is needed.	Hoodies or any hooded top / jumper are not permitted as coats.
School bag	A plain, rucksack or sensible, strong bag is needed to carry a book or other reading material, as well as necessary equipment.	

Sports / PE Uniform		
Black and gold sports shirt	This is compulsory.  Can be purchased through the school uniform supplier.	
Black sports jumper	This is optional, but hoodies or students' own jumper is not permitted.  Can be purchased through the school uniform supplier.	
Black socks	Available from any school uniform retailer.	
White socks	Available from any school uniform retailer.	
Black shorts	Available from any school uniform retailer.	
Black base layer / tracksuit	Available from any school	
bottoms	uniform retailer.	
Trainers / football boots	Available from any school	
	uniform retailer.	

Where students are unable to participate in PE lessons they will be expected to take part in a non-active role to ensure all learning time is used.



**FAQs** 

- Does my child have to wear their blazer even in hot conditions?
   All students will be expected to wear their blazer when in school and moving around the building. Teachers will be able to use their discretion in lessons, to allow students to remove blazers. A summer uniform standard will be implemented at May Half Term each year.
- If my child gets a nose stud that cannot be removed until it heals, what do I do?

  Nose studs and other facial piercings are not permitted. These will be asked to be removed and the behaviour policy will be applied.
- My child tells me of other students wearing items of clothing that are not part of the school uniform?

The first part of the day will be dedicated to standards check. All uniform and equipment will be checked by tutors and pastoral teams. This should minimise this.

What if I cannot afford to buy the uniform?

The school leadership team and Governors have carefully considered the cost of purchasing uniform and ensuring it is value for money. If there any specific financial issues, the school can be contacted, and we discuss your situation to ascertain if the school can support in any way.

 What right does the school have to send my child home for not following the uniform expectations?

The school has the right to send students home to change or rectify the issues affecting their compliance with the school uniform expectations, with the expectation that they return to school in line with Government guidelines. The DfE guidance on school uniform states: "A head teacher, or a person authorised by the head teacher, may ask a pupil to go home briefly to remedy a breach of the school's rules on appearance or uniform." "This is not an exclusion but an authorised absence."