## **ASTREA ACADEMY WOODFIELDS**

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**Principal: Mr David Scales** 



RE: Astrea Academy Woodfields Uniform Policy & September 2023

Dear Parent/Carer, 18<sup>th</sup> July 2023

As we approach the end of the current academic year, I would like to thank you for the support that you have given the academy. I would also like to look forward to the new academic year and ask for your continued support to ensure the academy continues on our improvement journey.

The uniform policy plays a crucial role in establishing a sense of identity, pride, and belonging within our educational community. It promotes equality, reduces social barriers, and helps scholars focus on their studies rather than outward appearance or material possessions. It is with these principles in mind that we have made some slight amendments to our existing uniform policy, aiming to create a cohesive and inclusive environment.

Effective from September, the updated uniform policy will require students to wear either mid-grey tailored trousers or our Academy tartan skirt. No other skirts will be allowed to be worn. The academy will also be fully enforcing all aspects of the uniform policy from September. I have attached a full uniform guide with this letter, however, some key points to note are:

- Academy blazers must be worn at all times unless directed by the Principal
- Trousers must be mid-grey in colour, full length and of tailored fit
- Shoes must be black, leather or leather style that can be polished. The style must be traditional and professional, avoiding the appearance of a trainer
- A single pair of stud earrings is permitted. Any other items of jewellery are not allowed
- False nails and nail polish are not allowed (including clear gels, acrylics, extensions, shellac)

In the current financial climate, we understand that purchasing new uniform items can be an additional expense for families. To help with this and to ensure a smooth transition to this amendment to policy, we are providing every student in the Academy with a free pair of trousers or a tartan skirt, free PE T-shirt and free year group tie. Over the previous month, our new supplier, Schoolwear Solutions by Cliffs, have visited school to measure scholars. These orders will be released to scholars on the last day of term. Some scholars who were not part of the original measuring event will be asked to collect orders from school in August.

We kindly request your cooperation in adhering to the uniform policy, as it is vital in maintaining consistency and upholding the values we strive for as an academic institution. By sending your child to school dressed in the appropriate uniform, you are not only setting a positive example but also contributing to their overall development and success.

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We appreciate your ongoing support in helping us to create an environment that promotes positive behaviour, respect and academic achievement. If you have any questions or concerns regarding the uniform policy, please do not hesitate to contact our school office, where our dedicated staff will be happy to assist you.

Yours faithfully,

Matthew Lambert

Vice Principal