Ashington Academy

# UNIFORM INFORMATION

www.ashingtonacademy.co.uk/uniform

# Why have a uniform?

Here at Ashington Academy we are proud of our uniform. We believe that proper school uniform is important because it:

- instils pride in the students and the wider community
- encourages identity with, and support for, our school ethos
- protects children from social pressures to dress in a particular way
- nurtures cohesion and promotes good relations between students
- supports effective teaching and learning.

# Our uniform

**Blazer, Shirts, Jumpers, and Tie**

- School blazer with school badge (required, only available from the uniform supplier).
- Plain white school shirt (no logos) buttoned to the neck (required, generic).
- Academy tie (required and available from the uniform supplier. Supplied to Year 7 students in the first instance).
- Navy V-neck jumper with light blue inset and the Academy badge (optional item and only).
- available from the uniform supplier). (No other alternatives are acceptable).

**Trousers and Skirts**

While we are more than happy for parents and students to purchase school uniform from a wide variety of sources, we have worked closely with Emblematic to create trousers and skirts with the academy logo, which meet our uniform rules. Should parents choose to purchase items from other suppliers then the style and cut of the trousers/skirt should be the same as those provided by Emblematic.

- Charcoal grey tailored school trousers – not leggings, jeans or stretch style. The bottoms of the trouser must be at least 7.5 inches/18 cm wide at the bottom. (required and generic however trousers purchased elsewhere MUST be the same style and fit as those provided by the uniform supplier).
- Charcoal grey pleated or straight skirt – not tight fitting or stretch material and must be no more than 5 cm above or below the knee. (required and generic however skirts purchased elsewhere MUST be the same style and fit as those provided by the uniform supplier).
- In warmer weather a tailored school short is welcome.

**Footwear**

Plain black, formal, leather or leather style shoes which can be polished. No trainers, plimsolls, pumps, or boots.
Socks must be black or grey with trousers (required and generic).
Grey opaque tights must be worn with skirts (required and generic).

**Outerwear**

Outside coats (generic) must be removed when entering a lesson or when asked by a member of staff.
Caps are not to be worn on the Academy premises.
Woollen hats may be worn between the autumn and spring half terms but must be removed when entering the school building.

## Our PE kit

All items are available from Emblematic.

- PE polo shirt – (required and only available from the uniform supplier).
- Black or navy shorts/tracksuit bottoms/black sports leggings (it is required for students to have at least one of these items).
- Mid layer top (optional).
- Hoodie (optional).
- Rain jacket (optional).
- Skort (optional).
- Sports sock (optional).
- A black base layer may be worn underneath (optional).
- Trainers with non-marking soles are to be worn in the sports hall (compulsory).
- Students can wear studded boots when participating in certain activities on the grass.
- Moulded boots and Astro trainers are allowed on the 3G sports pitch. Metal studs, blades and flat sole trainers are not accepted.
- Plimsolls, Converse, or canvas type shoes are not suitable.



## General appearance

- Blazers should be worn at all times, unless specific permission is given by a member of staff to remove them.
- Shirts should be tucked in.
- Students must wear their jumper (if worn) over their trousers or skirt (not tucked in). Belts (if worn) should be plain and should not be visible.

Only school related badges to be worn on the school blazer e.g. house and reward badges. Students may also wear badges to commemorate national events at the relevant time of the year e.g. a poppy in the lead up to Remembrance Day.

## Makeup and hair

- Extreme styles e.g. tramlines are not permitted.
- Hair should be a natural colour (one colour only).
- Hair accessories should be plain dark colours, thin and not overly decorative.
- No false, gel or acrylic nails and natural coloured nail varnish only.
- For health and safety reasons, nails need to be of a sensible length.
- No false eyelashes.
- Makeup should be discreet (not visible).
- No visible tattoos.
- Hair extensions are not permitted.

## Jewellery

- No necklaces, bracelets or rings may be worn.
- Visible body piercings are not allowed e.g. nose, tongue, top of the ear.
- Caps are not to be worn on the school premises.
- Students may wear one single metal stud in each earlobe
- No other visible piercings are allowed.

## Uniform policy

Ashington Academy's full uniform policy can be found at www.ashingtonacademy.co.uk/policies

## How to order

You can order uniform online at:

**https://emblematic.co.uk/bedlington-store/ahs/**

Or in store at:

Emblematic Ltd,  30 Glebe Road, Bedlington, Northumberland, NE22 6JT, 01670 820 262