



# The Ripley Academy

..... Excellence for All

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Dear Parent/Carer,

Firstly, may I take this opportunity to thank you for your support in ensuring your child has met the requirements of the uniform policy this year. Once again, we have been extremely pleased with the students' pride in their uniform and have received many positive comments from the local community regarding how smart our students look.

With this in mind, I am writing to remind you that hoodies, either pull over or zipped, are not classed as a suitable type of coat as per the Academy's Uniform Policy. We kindly ask that parents ensure that hoodies are not brought to or worn to school at any time. Any hoodies worn in school will be confiscated until the end of the day.

There will also be revised guidelines relating to ear spacers from September 2017. Students will no longer be able to wear ear spacers as part of their uniform. Any student who currently wears an ear spacer should contact myself to discuss this further. All types of facial piercings are not permitted with the exception of pierced ears. Students are permitted to wear one plain pair of studs only in their lower ear lobe.

There have been a few queries relating to students' hair and this should be natural in colour and there should not be any visible shaved patterns. Students who wish to have shaved back and sides should ensure this is no shorter than a Grade 3.

All items of school uniform and other items are available to purchase online throughout the academic year via Stevenson's, our uniform supplier. There will be an opportunity to purchase items in school on Wednesday 5th July 3.00pm – 6.00pm. I would advise anyone wishing to purchase new items of uniform to attend this event to enable students to try sizes before buying.

In exceptional circumstances Academy ties can now be purchased directly from school throughout the year. These are available from Student Support reception at a cost of £6.75.

The Academy Uniform Policy is currently being updated and once approved by the Governing Body it will be issued to all parents/carers.

Thank you for your continued support in the education of your child and should you have any queries then please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,

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Deputy Headteacher

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