



The Ripley Academy and Sixth Form

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Dear Parent/Carer,

Uniform for the New Academic Year

As we enter the final half term of the school year many parents/carers will be planning ahead to buy new school uniform for the Autumn term in order to replace or source any items of school uniform including footwear. Unfortunately, we are unable to offer our annual uniform shop this year which usually takes place in July. Uniform will now have to be purchased online and so may take longer than usual due to the current government restrictions in place. I therefore wanted to provide you with as much notice as possible to prevent any last minute worries.

Before making any purchases, please could I take this opportunity to remind you of our school uniform policy. Our intention is to avoid any unnecessary issues with your child not being dressed in accordance with uniform policy on our return in September. A full copy of the school's uniform policy is available on the school website.

Boys:

- School blazer * worn at all times
- White collared, short or long sleeved school shirt
- School tie*
- Black school trousers - **no jeans, no skinny cut, no low fitting styles allowed**
- Grey with red stripe v-necked jumper *(optional)
- Plain grey or black socks
- **Black school shoes (no trainers/plimsolls or canvas), flat with black soles and laces. The shoe must be completely black**

Girls:

- School blazer *worn at all times
- White collared, short or long sleeved shirt
- School tie *
- EITHER black full length school tailored fit trousers **No jeans/leggings, no skinny cut, no tight fit, no capri style, no culottes, no low fitting styles allowed** OR
- A black skirt. This must finish no higher than 5cm above the knee. **No tight fitting elastic or pencil style skirts**

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- Grey with red stripe v-necked jumper *(optional)
- Plain grey or black socks with trousers
- Black opaque tights or black/grey knee high socks with the skirt option
- **Black school shoes, flat with black soles and laces (no trainers/plimsolls or canvas). The shoe must be completely black**

***These items are only available through our online uniform supplier Stevensons (www.stevensons.co.uk) Price list attached.**

Stevensons are anticipating an increased surge in online sales this year and have requested that all online orders be placed before their deadline of **17th July** so they can ensure September delivery.

Please also note we would prefer coats and bags to be in colours that are in line with the silver, grey and black theme of our uniform. However, this is not a compulsory element. Hoodies are not deemed to be an acceptable type of coat and we would prefer students not to wear these to school.

Jewellery of any description is not encouraged and is not practical for many reasons. One pair of small, plain stud or sleeper size earrings in each ear lobe and a watch are the only items allowed. Please note any items of jewellery must be removed before taking part in any PE activities. Nose studs, large dangly or hooped earrings, stretchers or any other types of facial piercing are not allowed and students will be asked to remove them.

Make up of any description is discouraged. Students will be required to remove any excessive make up. Nail varnish/embellishments and false nails or extreme hairstyles or colours are not allowed.

We are very proud of our school and our students and believe that high standards of uniform and behaviour, with all students being properly equipped and attending regularly, give each and every one of our students the very best chance of learning well and achieving their very best.

Thank you all very much in advance of your anticipated support and understanding.

Yours faithfully,



Miss J Scattergood
Deputy Headteacher