# AT SIR THOMAS WHARTON ACADEMY A GUIDE FOR STUDENTS, PARENTS AND CARERS



"Delivering exceptional learning experiences that enable all young people to thrive in a competitive world and lead successful and fulfilling lives"



Dear Parent/Carer

#### **Uniform Expectations**

Students at Sir Thomas Wharton Academy are extremely proud of their school, the school badge and their uniform. To maintain this pride and the highest standards, our students are required to wear uniform. The current uniform expectations along with guidance and a list of approved suppliers are outlined on the following pages.

All stakeholders should be aware that any student arriving at the Academy wearing incorrect uniform will receive a sanction unless a parent can bring the correct uniform and rectify the issue. In some instances, students in non-academy uniform will have the opportunity to borrow the missing items. It is essential that we maintain high standards in the academy, and this starts with their Academy uniform.

We have attached a guide so that the expectations are clear on our uniform, including how it should be worn and examples of acceptable uniform. We have given a list of outlets where uniform can be purchased (including the details for our official uniform supplier) and some guidance on acceptable footwear. This list is not exhaustive so please do not assume that if a retailer describes its range as 'school wear', that it matches our requirements.

I hope that you find the guide useful, however if you do have any questions then please do not hesitate to contact the relevant Student Achievement Leader who will be more than happy to discuss this with you.



#### The Academy Uniform

Blazer: Black with Academy logo

**Jumper:** Black V-neck jumper with the Academy logo (optional item).

**Shirt:** Plain white formal collared shirt buttoned to the neck (long or short sleeved) and worn tucked in all times. No fashion blouses.

Lanyard: To be worn around the collar at all times (Each year group has a separate colour).

**ID Badge:** To be visible and attached to the end of the lanyard.

House Badge/100% Attendance Badge: To be worn on the left lapel on student's blazer.

**Trousers:** Plain black tailored/smart dress type trousers (denim/jean or jean style, ankle grazers, skinny, drainpipe, hipster, bootleg or combat style trousers are not allowed). Trousers must not have any studs, chains, visible zips or tassels attached and should not be tight fitting at the ankle. Trousers must have a tailored pocket (not a patch pocket or a jean style pocket). Trousers must be covering your ankle and socks. Please see **Appendix 1** for further guidance and **Appendix 2** for recommended suppliers.

**Skirt:** If your child chooses to wear a skirt, it must be the single approved Academy skirt. No other skirt will be permitted. The Academy skirt is a black S-cut straight-line skirt and can be purchased only from pinders. When standing, the skirt must be covering the knee.

**Belt:** Plain black (large and/or coloured belts or buckles are not allowed).

**Socks:** Plain black socks that cover the ankle.

Tights: Plain black tights are allowed with skirts and must be 60+ denier.

**Shoes:** Plain flat black shoes that have black soles, black stitching and black laces. Black shoes with brown soles are not allowed and they must have a full leather upper. Patent leather is allowed but suede is not. Doc Martins will not be permitted due to yellow stitching/sole, similarly Kickers will not be allowed due to the red and green tag / sole.

It is at the Academy's discretion as to what constitutes 'suitable' uniform items. We hope that the guidance will help you in your choice, but if in doubt please contact the appropriate year groups before you purchase.





#### Lanyards and Badges:

The lanyard must be worn at all times in school around the neck. It should clearly be displayed and not be tucked in a student's jumper or blazer pocket. The lanyard needs to be worn at the correct length and not be worn with knots in it. If any part of the lanyard or ID badge is damaged or defaced students will be required to purchase a new item immediately. The House badge should be pinned and displayed on the student's blazer at all times. It should be pinned in the middle of the left lapel of the blazer. Only STWA approved badges are allowed to be worn.

#### **Hairstyles:**

Must always be reasonable and tidy, bright colours as a result of dye or spray, marked contrast in hair length or colour are not acceptable; neither are extreme styles such as close shaves (e.g. Mohican styles or lines/patterns). Long hair should be tied back in any practical situations, such as Physical Education, Dance, Drama, Science and Technology or at the discretion of staff. A small, plain black hair slide, band, clip or 'bobble 'is acceptable, but any other 'hair ornament' is not permitted. Hair extensions are also not permitted of any length.

#### Jewellery:

The only item of jewellery permitted is a watch. This item must be removed for practical activities. No jewellery permitted including earrings, rings, spacer piercing retainers or tongue/nose piercings. No smart watches are to be worn within the academy. Any other items will be confiscated immediately, and parents/carers must collect them from reception between 7:45am and 4:15pm Monday to Thursday or 7:45am to 4pm on a Friday.

#### Make-Up

Make-up should not be noticeable and should always be light, natural looking and discreet. Dark highlighted eyebrows, bright coloured lipstick, dark foundation, highlighter, fake tan, painted nails, nail extensions, gel nails or false eyelashes are not allowed to be worn under any circumstances.

#### Clothing inside the Academy:

Only the Academy uniform is allowed to be worn inside the building. Blazers should be worn at all times on the corridors but can be removed in the classroom. Shirts must be tucked in and buttoned to the top at all times. Open neck shirts are not acceptable. Ties should be worn at all times. Sleeves on blazers, shirts, Physical Education kit and trouser legs should not be rolled up at any time unless permission is given by a member of staff.

#### **Outdoor Coats:**

Only plain outdoor coats are permitted. Hoodies, fur (including fur hoods), denim and leather jackets are not permitted at any time on the academy site. Outdoor coats must be removed at the entrance to the Academy buildings, as outdoor wear is not permitted indoors.

Non-Academy clothing worn inside the building will be confiscated immediately.

#### **Personal Property:**

Any digital or electronic device that can be used for games, photography, music or recording images are brought at owner's risk and should be kept in the students' bag. They should NOT be seen or heard on Academy premises at any time. No mobile phone or electronic devices should be visible, switched on or used during the Academy day. If it is seen it will be confiscated and only returned to a parent/carer.





#### **Physical Education:**

All students are expected to participate in PE. Suitable PE kit should be brought to every lesson. PE kit are available from Pinders to purchase. Students not participating in PE/ Dance will still be required to take part in the lesson in a non-practical way such as a coach or umpire, they are required to bring a medical note to explain why they are medically excused from PE. Refusal to get changed will be classed as defiance and the appropriate behaviour points will be allocated.

STWA polo shirt
STWA hooded top (outdoor)
Black tracksuit bottoms/leggings/shorts
Black football socks (outdoor)
Black sports socks
Trainers
Football boots for football and rugby
Shin pads for football and hockey



#### Basic Equipment check list for each lesson:

- Planner
- 1 Black, Red and Green pen
- 2 Pencils
- Ruler
- Scientific Calculator
- Clear pencil case
- Rubber
- Equipment can be purchased from student reception

#### What will not be accepted:

- Skinny type trousers, jeans, leggings, jeggings, cut off trousers or trousers with decorative zips or patch pockets.
- Nail varnish. Students arriving with nail varnish/false nails/acrylics/gel nails will be allocated behaviour points and be at risk of an on site fixed term exclusion. Only natural nails are permissible.
- Excessive make up, fake tan or fake eyelashes.
- Caps, hats, coats, jackets and hoodies are not to be worn inside the academy.
- Jackets with fur hoods/fur trims are not allowed academy site.
- Non uniform items worn in the academy e.g. non uniform tops / jumpers / hoodies.
- Coloured socks (only plain black socks).
- Only plain black leather type shoes are acceptable without logos or adornments.
   Chelsea boots and boots that are visible either outside or inside trousers will lead to sanctions.

The Academy will make contact with parents/carers of students who arrive at the Academy in the incorrect uniform. If an issue can't be rectified a sanction will be put in place.

To support young people students will be expected to leave a personal item of value and borrow the required uniform item (if available) from the Student Welfare Manager or Student Achievement Leader. Students will exchange the borrowed uniform item for their personal item at the end of the day. All uniform items are washed frequently and shoes will be treated with a hygienic spray after each use. Failure to wear the supplied uniform will result in an Internal Exclusion in the first instance for refusing a reasonable request.

Trainers will only be allowed to be worn if medical evidence has been provided by their GP. We ask for plain black trainers to be worn in these instances and to support parents, we have our own to give students should this be needed.

Persistent offenders who do not co-operate with the Uniform and Dress Code Guidance will have further sanctions put in place. If the student becomes defiant then more serious consequences may be implemented.





# **UNIFORM GUIDANCE**Appendix 1 – Acceptable Uniform



The Academy attaches great importance to appropriate dress. It helps to establish a feeling of community, sense of belonging and develops the personal presentation skills of our students. Uniform is therefore not an option, it is a necessity. We expect all students to wear our uniform with pride.

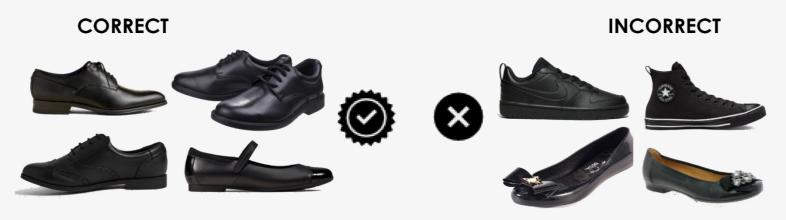
Prestige Printers: purchases can be made online and from their shop based in Swinton; further details on their website www.prestige-printers.co.uk

Pinders Schoolwear: purchases can be made online and from their two shops based in Rotherham or online at <a href="https://www.pindersschoolwear.com">www.pindersschoolwear.com</a>

Images on this page and the following page show acceptable Academy uniform and some items which are not part of our uniform expectations.



#### **FOOTWEAR**



Plain black shoes only. No rubber style shoes and no embellishments.

### **TROUSERS**



Plain black tailored/smart dress type trousers (denim/jean or jean style, ankle grazers, skinny, drainpipe, hipster, bootleg or combat style trousers are not allowed). Trousers must not have any studs, chains, visible zips or tassels attached and should not be tight fitting at the ankle. Trousers must have a tailored pocket (not a patch pocket or a jean style pocket). Trousers must be covering your ankle and socks.

#### **SKIRTS**



If your child chooses to wear a skirt, it must be the single approved Academy skirt. No other skirt will be permitted. When standing, the skirt must be covering the knee. We recommend getting a larger skirt length.

(Skirts come in sizes 22", 24" & 26")

The Academy skirt is a black S-cut straight-line skirt and can be purchased from www.pindersschoolwear.com

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### **JEWELLERY**























## **BAGS**

















**Year 7-11** - A STWA bag or plain black rucksack must be brought to Academy every day (logo allowed but the bag must be completely plain black).

No handbags or any styles which are not **plain black rucksack**.

## HAIR ACCESSORIES

































# **UNIFORM GUIDANCE**Appendix 2 – Uniform Suppliers



We want the process of buying your child's uniform to be an easy one, so we have put together this complete guide of recommended uniform suppliers and approved items so that you can buy the correct uniform for your child with confidence.

The whole range of Academy branded uniform can be purchased online from

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For all other items, including shoes and trousers, please see the following pages.



## **FOOTWEAR**

## SHOEZONE | www.shoezone.com



Beckett Boys Black Touch Fasten



Beckett Boys Black Slip On Formal £14.99



Beckett Boys Black Formal Lace Up £14.99



Lilley Girls Black Patent Brogue £14.99



Lilley Girls Black Patent Loafer £14.99



Lilley Girls Black Patent Flat Lace Up £12.99

## ASDA | www.asda.com



Boys Leather 2 Strap £12.00



Boys Leather Chunky 1 Strap £12.00



Girls Patent Lace Up School Shoes



Girls Micro-Fresh Patent School Shoes £14.00



Girls Black Ballerina School Shoes £6.00

## WYNSORS | www.wynsors.com



Love Leather Leana £20



Love Leather Brodie



Comfisole Percy £14



Rockstorm Albie £12



Rockstorm Jon £24

## **FOOTWEAR**

## DEICHMANN | www.deichmann.com



Mephis One Black Boys Slip On £19.99



Memphis One Formal Slip On £24.99



Graceland Teen Girls Lace Up £19.99



Graceland Girls Black Leather Brogue £19.99

## CLARKS | www.clarks.co.uk



Loxham Pace Y £51.00



Scola Loop Y £50.00



Scola Step Y £47.00



Scola Lace Y £52.00



Scalie Lace Y £52.00



Scalie Gem Y £42.00



Aubrie Craft Y £50.00



Scalie £50.00

## M&S | www.marksandspencer.com



Kids' Leather Freshfeet Loafers £30.00 - £34.00



Kids' Leather Slip On Loafers £30.00 - £34.00



Kids' Leather Ballet Pump £24.00 - £28.00



Kids' Leather Ballerina School Shoes £24.00 - £28.00



Kids' Leather School Shoes £32.00 - £36.00



Kids' Leather Slip-On Shoes £32.00 - £36.00



Kids' Leather Freshfeet Shoes £30.00 - £34.00



Kids' Leather Riptape Shoes £28.00 - £32.00

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## **OUR VISION**

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## **OUR KEY DRIVERS**



## THE HIGHEST STANDARDS

Always set and deliver the highest standards: never settle for less.



## **INVEST TO ACHIEVE**

Care about the now; create the very best for your future.



## **EVERYONE IS VALUED**

We are unique individuals; we work together to achieve success.



## **NO EXCUSES**

Create solutions, not excuses.



## **NEVER GIVE UP**

Resilience is essential; self belief drives improvement.



## **CULTIVATE YOUR CHARACTER**

Qualifications open doors; your character gets you through them.

