



Wath Academy

Dear Parent / Carer,

At Wath Academy we support the Government and Department for Education's view that schools should have a school uniform and that school uniform plays a valuable role in contributing to the ethos of a school. At Wath Academy we believe in having the highest expectations in all that we do and that having high standards of uniform is the starting point in setting the standards and tone for all other areas of school life.

The Department for Education has recently released updated guidance on school uniform including the cost consideration of school uniform. Based on this guidance, although we are not planning any major changes to our uniform policy, we are keen to gather parent and carer views, as we continually review and refine our policy.

Please use the link below to access a Microsoft form to give your views and feedback on our current uniform policy and expectations.

<https://forms.office.com/r/p1VEnWqJXT>

For information, our current uniform policy can be found here:

<https://www.wathacademy.com/attachments/download.asp?file=605&type=pdf>

Once we have collected in and collated the feedback on our current policy and finalised our uniform policy for September 2022, we will write to all parents and carers again. This will be during the summer term in advance of the summer holidays.

In addition to the above, the new guidance also requires schools to collect in second hand uniform, where possible, and make it available to families that require it. As previously mentioned, any spare or second hand uniform can be donated back to the Academy. Please consider over the summer term and summer holidays what second-hand uniform you could donate to the Academy. This second hand uniform can be handed in at the Academy reception at any time. We will release details of how second uniform can be acquired from the Academy later in the Summer term, ready for September 2022.

Finally, you will be aware we currently use Pinders and Office 106 Limited (formally Prestige Printers) as our main uniform supplier. This will continue for September 2022. In line with the new guidance, we will be running a competitive tender process over the next twelve months for our uniform supplier for September 2023. Once this is completed, we will provide details of this in January 2023.

Yours sincerely

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