

**24<sup>th</sup> March 2023**

Dear Parent/Carer

May I thank you once again for all your support so far this year. It has been a very busy one and we now look forward to the Summer Term.

**Students will finish for the Easter break on Friday 31<sup>st</sup> March 2023 at 12.15pm.** On this day students are invited to wear non uniform to raise money for 'Young Minds' and our Wellbeing Garden. These both aim to provide mental health support for our students. A separate letter will be sent giving further details.

**All students will return after Easter on Monday 17<sup>th</sup> April 2023. All students should arrive at the usual start time.**

As you are aware we expect students to be proud of their uniform as they represent our Academy both to visitors to the Academy and in the community. Uniform requirements are included in this letter. We expect all students to be in full academy uniform when they return in April.

Yours sincerely



**Julie Anstey**  
**Associate Principal**

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### **Grace Academy Uniform**

#### **Main uniform items**

**Blazers:** Black Grace Academy Blazer with GA Logo - required

**Shirt:** Plain white cotton shirt with a top button which should be fastened at ALL Times (no polo-shirts).

**Ties:** Purple Grace Academy tie with GA logo on display below the knot - required. \*Prefect purple and gold stripe, awarded by the Academy, should be worn instead of the plain purple tie when prefect status is given.

**Pullovers:** Plain black V-neck – optional (no sweatshirts, no hooded tops, no cardigans, no tank tops).

**Trousers:** Plain black (no denim/fashion trousers) which should cover the legs and ankles entirely with black socks i.e. no trainer socks.

OR

**Skirts:** Plain black pleated/non-pleated of knee length with black opaque tights which should cover the legs

and ankles entirely. No tube skirts (stretchy skirts) are allowed. Tights should not be see-through and be at least 60 denier.

**Shoes:** Plain black shoes (no trainers/pumps/canvas shoes/boots/sports brands/shoes with fashion laces or extra adornments).

**Coats:** Winter coats/anoraks – optional. Plain in colour  
(no denim, hooded tops, tracksuit style tops or fashion jackets).

No coats, gloves/scarves to be worn inside the Academy.

#### **Grace PE Kit**

1. Grace Academy Polo shirt with Logo - required
2. Grace Academy Rugby shirt and/or Grace Academy Sweatshirt with Logo – required
3. Black Rugby/Football shorts or black sports joggers
4. Non-marking sports shoes
5. Football boots (optional for football/rugby)
6. Black Rugby/Football socks
7. Shin pads (optional)
8. Grace Academy waterproof PE jacket with Logo (optional)

During outdoor activities especially in winter months, we advise a black or white underlay/base layer to be worn.

**NB: Students not participating in a PE lesson are expected to bring kit so they can assist in the lesson. It is recommended that all items are to be clearly marked with the student's name.**

#### **Optional – Religious Head Coverings:**

Black school-approved religious items of headwear conforming to the requirements below:

- The fabric should be lightweight and plain black.
- Any religious headwear must conform to the health and safety and school requirements. The headwear must be worn so that the collar and tie can be seen clearly.
- Religious headwear should not be worn with headbands, brooches, shadow stripes, patterns, logos, embellishments, diamantes, tassels or other colours.
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A photographic example of the above criteria for headscarves is available upon request.



**Acceptable examples of plain black shoes and Trousers/Skirt:**



**Plain Black School Shoes**



**Tailored School Trousers**



**Skirt to the knee or below  
with black opaque tights**



**Not Acceptable Shoes and Trousers/Skirts**



**No buckles, bows or any other embellishment  
Trainers are not acceptable in any form**



**No tight trousers  
or leggings**



**No tight skirts and not  
acceptable if above  
the knee**