



Uniform Policy

Every Arnold Hill student should be a credit to themselves at all times, and this includes wearing their uniform correctly as it demonstrates respect for our Academy. We therefore ask for parent/guardian support in promoting the importance of uniform and appearance, as it is our belief that good presentation is an attribute essential for later life.

Our uniform expectations are outlined below

- All students
- PE Kit
- Additional requirements
- Non-compliance with expectations

Our uniform supplier is Schoolwear Solutions. This is where all uniform for the Academy should be purchased. Their store is located at 116-118 Bramcote Avenue, Chilwell, Nottingham NG9 4DR. Raaj Takhar is our Account Manager and she will be able to get you anything you need and drop it at your door; she can be contacted on 07728 535853. Alternatively, parents and students may visit our 'pop up shop' which is held every Tuesday, in A Block Reception, straight after school until 4:00pm, or shop online at <https://www.schoolwearsolutions.com/product-category/our-schools/arnold-hill-academy/>

The following items are only available from Schoolwear Solutions:

- Blazer
- Tie
- Trousers (boys and girls)
- Skirt/kilt*
- Green Jumper
- PE Polo Shirt with Logo
- PE Outdoor Top

*From September 2020, in Year 7 only, students who wish to wear a skirt we be required to wear the new Arnold Hill Kilt. This is available from Schoolwear Solutions only and is the same price as the black skirt. The kilt is being phased in, over time in line with our highest expectations regarding uniform.

The following items can be purchased from any secondary supplier of your choice

- Shirts
- Socks
- Underwear
- Tights
- Shorts
- Shoes (these must be in line with the Academy's expectations i.e. a proper shoe (**black leather**))

Uniform requirements for all students

Outdoor coats

- The outdoor coat should provide adequate protection against the weather.
- It should be plain in design.
- Denim and leather/imitation leather coats (including trim) are not allowed.
- Hoodies and track suit tops are not allowed

Headwear

- If a hat is required to provide protection from the weather, it must be **plain** and without logo/decoration.
- **Baseball caps are not acceptable.**



- Hats and hoods must not be worn inside Academy buildings and hoods should only be worn outside the buildings during inclement weather.
- Items of headwear worn for religious reasons must be plain black or grey.

Hair

- Hair should be of an appropriate style and length and natural in colour. The hair style should be such that it does not invite comment or discussion.
- When hair colour/style is deemed to be in contravention of this guidance, the student will be placed into isolation until this is addressed.
- Extreme hairstyles are not allowed.

Make up

- Any make up worn should be subtle and barely noticeable.

Nails

- False/Gel nails are not permitted. Neither is any form of coloured nail varnish or covering. If any nail coating is used it should be clear, so that nails always appear to be natural.

Jewellery

- Students are encouraged to wear a watch, but **smartwatches are not permitted** as per mobile technologies policy
- For those with pierced ears, a **single pair of plain stud earrings** can be worn in the **lobe** of each ear, these **must** be removed for PE.
- **No other jewellery/piercings are allowed**, this includes additional earrings, stretchers, rings, bracelets, nose studs, tongue/facial piercings, and any other body jewellery.
- Clear plastic retainers **can** be worn if necessary.
- If parents wish their child to have a piercing we ask that this is done at the start of the **summer** holiday so it is fully healed by the start of term.

Bags

- Students should have a backpack/rucksack/holdall which enables them to carry the necessary equipment for learning as well as books (A4 Size).
- Students should not have a handbag/tote/purse/satchel/laptop bag

If for any reason a student cannot wear the correct Academy uniform, and abide by the regulations for uniform and appearance, we would ask that parents/carers contact the Head of Year, in writing, to explain why this is the case. Please be aware that sending your child to The Academy in the incorrect uniform will result in them not being in lessons. The Academy will be the final arbiter on what is deemed to be acceptable as Academy uniform.

The below can only be purchased from Schoolwear Solutions:

Blazer

- Must be worn as the top layer of uniform with only an outdoor coat worn over it.
- An outdoor coat cannot be worn instead of the blazer.
- Blazers should always be worn, and worn properly (no sleeves rolled up). The only exception, is in extremely hot weather conditions, if the Headteacher makes a decision that Blazers do not need to be worn on a particular day.
- Blazer sleeves must not be rolled or pushed up.

Trousers

- Black full length formal plain trousers, they must have a straight leg and not be a skinny/tight fit.
- To be worn at waist height.



- Any trouser pockets must be integral to the design of the trouser rather than formed from additional material stitched on afterwards.
- There should be no adornments such as additional stitching / zips / buttons / rivets, over and above those needed to fasten the trousers.
- A plain black belt with a simple, non-decorative buckle can also be worn.

Please note that many retailers offer a range of school uniform trousers but not all meet our uniform requirements. Styles which are acceptable and are available from Schoolwear Solutions include:

1. Trutex school trousers (single pleat or flat front)
2. Banner 1ka Slimbridge
3. David Luke boys' school trousers

Tie

- Tied neatly to the collar with the bottom of the tie ending at the navel.
- Six stripes should be clearly visible.
- Year 7 September 2019 onwards, clip on tie **from Schoolwear Solutions. There is no difference in price.**

Skirt/Kilt

- From September 2020, The AHA Kilt is compulsory for those choosing to wear a skirt for Year 7 only and will be sold at the same price as the pleated black skirt. This item will be phased in over time.
- **For students in other year groups from September 2020 - The black skirt should only be a pleated skirt from Schoolwear Solutions.**
- Skirts must be black, this includes any stitching.
- The skirt must be an appropriate length which is knee length, and no higher
- The skirt should **not be** rolled over at the waist.
- The skirt should be plain in style.
- All fastenings should be concealed and not decorative.
- The skirt should not be stretchy; it must be made from a woven and not knitted fabric.
- Tight fitting Lycra skirts are not allowed.
- Fashion belts are not allowed however a slim, plain black belt with a simple buckle can be worn.

Please note that many retailers offer a range of school uniform skirts but not all meet our uniform requirements. The style which is acceptable is ONLY available from Schoolwear Solutions is:

- **Pleated, stitch down pleat - David Luke DL97**

Optional Green V Neck Jumper

- Can only be purchased from Schoolwear Solutions
- Can be worn as a layer between the blazer and shirt

PE Outdoor Top

- *Can only be purchased from Schoolwear Solutions*

The below items can be purchased from any secondary supplier

White Shirt (e.g. Trutex)

- Must be a formal, long, or short sleeved shirt with a collar and buttons.
- Must always be buttoned to the collar and tucked in.
- Long sleeved shirts must not have sleeves rolled or pushed up.
- Visible 'undershirts' are not allowed.

White Blouse (e.g. Trutex)

- Must be a formal, long or short sleeved shirt/blouse with a collar and buttons.
- There should be no embellishment such as additional stitching, gathers or tucks
- Must always be buttoned to the collar and tucked in.



- Long sleeved shirts must not have sleeves rolled or pushed up.
- Visible 'undershirts' are not allowed.

Socks/Tights

- Must be plain, black or dark grey.
- If girls wish to wear socks over their black tights these should be plain black, trainer style socks which cannot be seen.
- Leggings and footless tights are not allowed.
- Girls socks should be ankle high only

Footwear

- All footwear for school should be a shoe.
- Shoes must be **formal**, black leather or imitation leather and plain in style.
- Shoes must be robust, provide adequate grip and protection against the rain
- Footwear must be a 'shoe' and **not a 'boot'**.
- The shoes must be black, this includes any stitching.
- Fastenings should be simple and non-decorative e.g. plain metal eyelet holes for laces.
- The shoe must be waterproof/weather-proof.

The following are NOT acceptable

- No trainers, converse, trainer style or canvas shoes are allowed
- Black sports trainers are not acceptable.
- Shoes should not have a logo or be an identifiable brand.
- Trainer style' shoes and 'boot style' shoes are not acceptable. No part of the shoe should come above the ankle bone.

Please see 'Appendix A' for examples of acceptable footwear and non-acceptable footwear

Adverse weather conditions: Appropriate footwear such as wellington boots may be worn when snow and ice are on the ground, but students should have their school shoes to change into when they arrive on to site.

PE Kit

Boys

- Outdoor Top (*can only be purchased from Schoolwear Solutions*)
- Green polo shirt (*can only be purchased from Schoolwear Solutions*)
- Plain black tracksuit bottoms and/or black shorts
- Skins – plain black as a layer for colder months
- Plain black football socks
- Trainers

Girls

- Outdoor Top (*can only be purchased from Schoolwear Solutions*)
- Green polo shirt (*can only be purchased from Schoolwear Solutions*)
- Plain black tracksuit bottoms and/or black shorts
- Black leggings – these should not be see through
- Skins – plain black as a layer for colder months
- Plain black football socks
- Trainers

If students are excused from PE then they must still bring their PE kit to change into as learning can still continue.
Forgetting PE kit will result in a faculty detention.



Additional Requirements

During Key Stage 3, students will require an apron for Food Technology lessons.

Non-Compliance with academy expectations

All students are expected to wear the correct items of uniform and to look smart both on the Academy site and within the community.

Wearing the correct items of uniform 'incorrectly'

If a student chooses to wear their uniform incorrectly, they will be reminded to wear it correctly by the member of staff. If a student refuses to comply they will receive a C2 negative behaviour point on Class-charts. Examples of this include un-tucked shirts, ties not worn to the collar, skirt waistbands rolled over and blazer sleeves rolled up.

Wearing incorrect items of uniform

Students will not be allowed to attend lessons if they are not wearing correct uniform.

Under such circumstances students will work in 'Isolation' until the uniform issue can be resolved and work will be provided.

- Students are expected to correct their own uniform where appropriate e.g. removing jewellery/piercings, make up which is not 'subtle' or nail varnish which is not 'neutral'. They can then return to lessons. The Academy will be the final arbiter on what is deemed to be acceptable as Academy uniform.
- Where students are wearing an incorrect item of uniform, we will contact home where possible to arrange for correct uniform to be brought in or the student allowed home to change.
- If this is not possible we will endeavour to provide uniform from our supplies for the remainder of the day.
- If the uniform issue cannot be resolved the student will work in the 'Isolation' for the remainder of the day.

Where students have chosen to wear 'incorrect uniform' (e.g. excessive make up/jewellery/piercings or incorrect Academy uniform when they have correct items at home) and they refuse an opportunity to correct their uniform (e.g. by not removing piercings or refusing to borrow uniform offered) they will remain in 'Isolation' until the uniform is corrected.

We appreciate that there may be times when a student cannot wear acceptable uniform through **no fault of their own** (e.g. if their shoes break unexpectedly, new shoes have caused blisters or items of uniform are left at a different address). Under such circumstances we appreciate contact from home to the Head of Year via a written note, email or telephone call. The student should arrive to PSU before guidance to see their HOY. **No sanction will be set** although the decision to allow a student to attend normal lessons will rest with the HOY and be a case by case basis. Any of these decisions are final and rest with the Academy. E.g. wearing coloured footwear

– students will not be allowed to enter lessons even with a note from home.

The **only exception** to this is if the student has a note from a doctor/hospital which clearly states that our accepted uniform items are not appropriate for medical reasons. Under these circumstances a student will be allowed to attend their normal lessons. Until a medical note is received, students will remain in isolation.



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AHA Kilt (Y7 only Sept 2020)	Waist Size	Price
	22" to 26"	£17.99
	28" to 32"	£21.99
	34" to 38" Order upon request	£21.99



David Luke Stitch Down Pleat Skirt

Waist Size	Price
22" to 26"	£17.99
28" to 32"	£21.99
34" to 38"	£21.99

The Academy requires the skirt to be worn at knee length when standing

BMB Boys' Slimbridge Trouser	Waist Size	Price
	24" to 28"	£15.99
	30" to 40"	£18.99

David Luke Girls' Slim Fit Trouser	Waist Size	Price
	26" to 28"	£16.99
	29" to 38"	£20.99





All black trousers sold by Schoolwear Solutions have been approved by the Academy

116-118 Bramcote Avenue
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Boys' Blazer

from £26.99 - £33.99



Girls' Blazer

from £26.99 - £33.99



School Tie

from £6.50



Pullover

from £16.99 - £19.99



Outdoor PE Top

from £19.99 to £22.99



Polo Shirt

from £9.99 to £12.99





Appendix A – Acceptable Footwear









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Appendix B – Non-Acceptable Footwear

Examples of unacceptable footwear	Reasons include
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">✗ Not a formal style✗ Black trainer or trainer style shoe✗ Identifiable logo/brand
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">✗ Not a formal style✗ Black trainer or trainer style shoe✗ Identifiable logo/brand



Examples of unacceptable footwear	Reasons include
	<p>Identifiable logo/ Not a formal style Black trainer or trainer style shoe Identifiable logo/ brand Not a formal style Black trainer or trainer style shoe Identifiable logo /brand Boot style shoe</p>
	<p>Boots</p>
	<p>Not a formal style Black trainer or trainer style shoe Not a formal style Identifiable logo /Boots or boot style brand shoes Decorative fastening Not flat</p>



	<ul style="list-style-type: none">✗ Not a formal style✗ Not plain in style✗ Boots or boot style shoes✗ Decorative fastening✗ Not flat
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">✗ Not a formal style✗ Not plain in style ✗ Sandal✗ Boot style shoe✗ Not flat✗ Not waterproof/ weatherproof
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">✗ Not a formal style✗ Not plain in style ✗ Sandal✗ Boot style shoe✗ Not waterproof/ weatherproof✗ Above the anklebone



	<p>✘ Not plain in style</p>
	<p>✘ Identifiable brand or logo</p>
	<p>✘ Not formal in style ✘ Canvas ✘ Not waterproof/ weather proof</p>
	<p>✘ Not plain in style ✘ Not waterproof/ weather proof</p>