

Friday 14th January 2022

Dear Parent/Carer,

I hope that you and your family are well. I want to take this opportunity to thank you for your support so far. As part of my plan to drive up standards in the academy, I would like to take this opportunity to remind you of some of our expectations in the academy. The detailed expectations are stated in our behaviour policy.

Behaviour

Our behaviour system is built upon three key principles, be respectful, be responsible and be safe. This has never been more prevalent than in our current circumstances. We always have very high expectations of our students and we will be very clear in our expectations such as; adhering to social distancing, hygiene controls, movement around the academy, attitudes to learning and respecting safe practice for themselves, their peers and adults. We appreciate your support in relaying these expectations from home and the importance of positive behaviour at all times.

Uniform

All students are required to wear the full Academy uniform. The Academy uniform should not be altered in any way, for example by adding clips, badges or stickers. Skirts must not be adapted; this includes folding them over at the top or tying a bobble around the waistband. Trousers must not be "taken in" to reduce the width of the leg. Girls tights must be a minimum of 40 denier. Blazer sleeves must not be rolled up. Please do not purchase non-Outwood uniform and have logos sewn onto it. If students are seen with these items they will be asked to change into our loan uniform. **School shoes must be plain black, no trainers, no Vans, no Converse, no boots, no pumps or canvas shoes**. Shoes should be of a material that can be polished.

The shoes pictured below are some of the shoes that do not fulfil the criteria and should not be worn by students as part of their uniform.



Students have been reminded of our uniform policy; so they are clear on what is expected and will be issued with an SLT detention if it is not adhered to at all times. **To order extra items of uniform please go to www.trutex.com or contact the Trutex Direct customer service team by telephone on 01200 421206 The LEA code required to place orders for Outwood Academy Danum is LEA00910CH.**

Hairstyles, Makeup and Nails

Hair styles should be sensible and colours should be natural. No student will be allowed into lessons with unnatural hair colour. No offensive patterns should be shaved into hair styles. Hair accessories should be discreet and must be black or purple, no scarves or bandanas (unless for religious reasons).

Hair bobbles must not be worn on the wrist. If in doubt, please contact the Learning Manager. Noticeable makeup is not allowed and any makeup worn must be very discreet.

The decision to what qualifies as discreet rests with the Principal. False eyelashes are not to be worn. Nail polish and any type of false nails (including clear gels, acrylics, extensions, shellac etc) are not allowed.

Jewellery and Smart Watches

No jewellery is allowed except a wrist watch and a medic alert necklace or bracelet. Smart watches are not allowed in the Academy. If a student is thinking about having their ears pierced, or any other piercing, this should be done at the start of the summer holidays, as no student will be allowed to wear earrings or any other jewellery at any time.

Mobile Phones

Mobile phones are not permitted to be used on the Academy premises and should one be brought to the Academy it must be turned off, and placed in the bottom of the student's bag.

Punctuality

Students are expected to be at the Academy at 8:20am every day. If students arrive after lessons have started they will be issued with a detention. If your child has a medical appointment at the start of the school day, please ask for an appointment card. If no card is produced when a student arrives late at the Academy, a late detention will be issued.

Lastly I would like to say thank you to the parents and students for making me feel welcome.

Yours sincerely,



Amanda Crane
Principal