

Frequently Asked Questions - Uniform at Broadgreen

What is the KS3 Uniform?

The KS3 uniform (Y7- Y9) consists of the following:

- Graphite grey Trutex blazer
- White shirt (no coloured garments underneath the shirt)
- Copper tie (school logo)
- Grey or black V neck jumper with a copper V (optional item)
- Black knee length skirt (one pleat or two); students in Y8-9 who already have a pleated skirt may wear that to save on cost.
- Black pinafore knee length (optional item)
- Black tailored trousers - jeans / tracksuits / leggings / very flared trousers / very tight trousers / knee length trousers / trousers which gather at the ankle are not considered appropriate wear. Jeans are defined as trousers with patch pockets and rivets. Trousers should not trail on the floor.
- Girls can opt to wear plain black shalwar kameez or tunic with a white blouse / shirt with the academy blazer over the top.
- If socks are visible under trousers, they should also be plain black (no ankle socks should be worn under trousers). All socks with skirts should be plain black as a solid colour and either ankle or knee-length. Socks with a small bow at the side are permitted.
- Hijabs, scarves, turbans, crowns and top knots, worn for religious reasons, must be plain black and well secured.
- Shoes must be sensible and entirely plain black, (not dark brown), laces must be fastened and be plain black. Heels, boots and trainers are not acceptable. Students wearing the wrong footwear will be asked to change into academy footwear.
- Any student wearing jewelry, other than a watch, will be asked to instantly remove it and it may be confiscated until the end of term. The only exception to this is where there is a compulsory religious expectation, for example the Sikh Kara.
- All facial jewelry or visible body-piercing is inadmissible. Plasters cannot be worn to cover piercings.
- No make-up or nail varnish at any time.
- Hair should be appropriate to a place of work i.e. no unusual styles or colours, shavings or patterns. Hair must be of a natural colour. A student may be asked to tie hair back for health and safety reasons. Hair bands should be plain, no other hair ornament is necessary.
- Belts, if worn, should be plain black and not worn as a 'fashion statement' over jumpers or shirts.
- School bag – black rucksack big enough to fit in an A4 lever arch file so students can carry all their equipment.
- Outdoor jackets or jumpers or cardigans other than school uniform, should not be worn at any time inside the academy.
- Hats, hoods and caps need to be removed before entering the building.

What is the KS4 Uniform?

The KS4 Uniform (Y10-Y11) consists of the following:

- Formal Suit jacket or blazer in choice of black, grey or navy blue. White shirt or blouse, no coloured garments are to be worn underneath the shirt.
- Academy tie with white stripe in an option of 4 colours – copper, green, blue, maroon (tie is optional for girls, they may choose to wear a blouse with no tie)
- Boys and girls trousers should be black, grey or navy blue to match the suit jacket and tailored; jeans / tracksuits / leggings / very flared trousers / very tight trousers / knee length trousers/ trousers which gather at the ankle are not considered appropriate wear. Jeans are defined as trousers with patch pockets and rivets. Trousers should not trail on the floor.
- Skirts should be black, grey or navy blue, knee-length, straight or A line fit.
- Pinafores should be knee length, plain black, grey or navy.
- Jumpers should be black, grey or navy blue with a v neck to match the suit in a plain solid colour. (optional item)
- If socks are visible under trousers, they should be plain black, grey or navy to match the suit as a solid colour. (Optional match, black as standard)

- All socks with skirts should be plain black, grey or navy to match the suit as a solid colour and either ankle or knee-length. Socks with a small bow at the side are permitted.
- Make up, if worn, should be entirely discreet. No nail varnish, false lashes or bold make-up at any time.
- School bag – black rucksack big enough to fit in an A4 lever arch file so students can carry all their equipment.

What are the expectations for KS5?

- Students in the 6th Form should wear a formal suit jacket or blazer in choice of black, grey or navy blue. White or coloured shirt or blouse, no coloured garments are to be worn underneath the shirt.
- Tie should be a solid colour or stripe, tie is optional for girls, they may choose to wear a blouse with no tie.
- Boys and girls trousers should be black, grey or navy blue to match the suit jacket and tailored; jeans / tracksuits / leggings / very flared trousers / very tight trousers / knee length trousers/ trousers which gather at the ankle are not considered appropriate wear. Jeans are defined as trousers with patch pockets and rivets. Trousers should not trail on the floor.
- Skirts should be black, grey or navy blue, knee-length or ankle- length, straight or A line fit.
- Jumpers should be black, grey or navy blue with a v neck to match the suit in a plain solid colour. (optional item)
- If socks are visible under trousers, they should be plain black, grey or navy to match the suit as a solid colour. (Optional match, black as standard)
- All socks or tights with skirts should be plain black, grey or navy to match the suit as a solid colour. Socks should be either ankle or knee-length.
- Make up, if worn, should be entirely discreet. No bold make-up at any time.

What is the PE Kit?

The PE Kit is a bespoke kit designed in collaboration with the PE Department at Broadgreen in consultation with the students. The core kit consists of an Akoa label Gunmetal Grey buttoned polo shirt (with the school logo) which has lighter grey and white inserts. The skort or shorts and PE socks are in the same design, see below for the sample design board.



Are parents expected to buy a full new uniform for September?

- Dixons Academies Trust will fund uniform changes for Y8-Y9 to cover the cost of the new PE Kit, new blazer and new tie.
- For students who will be in Y10-Y11, the same funding will be available to cover the cost of the PE Kit and a contribution to the suit and tie the students are expected to wear.

How will it work and who are the approved uniform retailers?

The approved uniform retailers are WestDerby Schoolwear/ KidsKirkby Ltd (online: alphaschoolwear.com)

Trutex on London Road is also an available retailer.

Core uniform items (skirt, trousers, pinafore and socks) could also be purchased from Laser Schoolwear (London Road) and other retailers.



A subsidy will be provided for students moving into Y8 - 11 in September to cover the cost of the core uniform items in the above uniform shops.

Please see the order instructions document provided by the school for the details to access the subsidy (Sixth form students and new Y7 students are not eligible for the subsidy).

What will GCSE PE students wear?

GCSE PE students will wear the school PE kit in lessons and girls will have the option of Akoa branded black leggings and/or the additional items of a black/white quarter zip top and slim fit jogging trousers. All items can be ordered from the approved retailers.

