



LYDIARD PARK ACADEMY

Uniform Expectations – September 2021

Dear _____,

We are writing to remind you of our uniform expectations for the next academic year. At LPA we take great pride in the smart appearance of our pupils as they represent our academy community both inside and outside the academy building. We have been very impressed with the overall standard and consistency of pupils' uniform this year, in what has often been a challenging time for families. We have been more lenient than normal with enforcing sanctions for uniform as we have understood that there have been times when shops have been closed this year. Unfortunately, some pupils have taken advantage of this, and the standard of uniform has been lower than we would like from a group of pupils.

We are writing to you now to give all families sufficient time to purchase essential school equipment, so there should be no excuses in September. If your family is struggling financially with the cost of school uniform, please let your year group's pastoral team know as we may be able to support you.

From September, our full range of sanctions will be reintroduced for pupils, including a detention in the first instance, and then possible isolation for repeated uniform offences. We will confiscate inappropriate items such as hoodies. For all year groups, we will be doing daily uniform and equipment checks. As pupils get older we would encourage you to get them to increasingly take responsibility for their own equipment and school bag. In particular, pupils must bring a full pencil case, a diary (we will issue these on the first day of term), and a suitable reading book. Again, if this is an issue for your family, please contact the relevant pastoral team for support.

We have attached our full uniform expectations so you and your child can prepare for September.

Many thanks for your support as we ensure our pupils are best prepared for school life, and also for the future workplace.

Yours sincerely,

Gail Davies & Joshua Coulson, on behalf of the LPA Pastoral Team



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