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Principal: Mrs J Lowry-Johnson BA (Hons)



Dear Parent/Carer

I am writing to you with a reminder of the standards we have in place; we believe that students in years 7 – 11 should be dressed professionally which helps to establish the correct attitude for learning.

Attendance

Attendance is important if you want your son / daughter to reach full potential, we set a target of 100% attendance each year for your child. If your child does not attend school there will interventions put in place to help your child return to school, this can include action plans, home visits or support from the EWO.

Punctuality

It is vital your son/daughter arrives to the academy on time as every minute they are late is missed learning. If your child arrives late they will be given a detention. If they arrive after 9am this will be classed as an unauthorised absence for that morning and therefore will impact on their attendance

School shoes

As per the uniform policy, shoes must be plain black and carry no logos. They must be leather or a leather like material that can be polished. Training shoes (even plain black) are **not permitted.**

If a student arrives to the academy in incorrect footwear then they will be asked to change into formal footwear provided to them for the day. Their footwear will be taken until the end of the school day where they will be exchanged at 3pm. Please be assured that any footwear provided is clean and of good quality. We will not accept trainers as an alternative even if shoes are on order, as we have an adequate supply of new shoes in school.

<u>Ties</u>

Students should wear their school tie at all times with the top button of their shirt fastened. The year 7 school tie will be provided to each student from the academy in September 2023.

<u>Coats</u>

Coats may be worn to the academy and whilst students are outside on break and at lunch time. Whilst students move around the building, they are expected to carry their coat with them.

Hooded or Tracksuit Tops

These are **not allowed** to be worn by students at all in the academy this includes before and after school, lunch time and breaks. Please do not send your child to school in one as these will be confiscated until the end of the school day.

General Matters

Make Up

The school does not allow the wearing of any obvious make up. Nail varnish is completely banned and we will ask for it to be removed if worn. Acrylic nails should not be worn at any time and students will be asked to remove these. Eyelashes, semi or permanent and drawn on eyebrows are not allowed and students will be asked to remove them or rectify the matter before they can return to lessons.

Hair Styles

For Health and Safety reasons, and to support the general business-like values of the academy, we expect students to have reasonable hairstyles and colours. This means **no extreme colours e.g. pink**, **blue**, **purple or bright red or extreme styles such as a number 1 haircut (skin head)**, **track lines**, **rollers or pin curls**. If the Principal, or a member of staff acting for the Principal, considers a student's hair style to be unreasonable, then the student will be asked to rectify the matter before they can return to lessons. Any boy or girl with long hair that covers their faces will be asked to tie it back, with either a plain headband, bobble or clip. The clip must be plain, sparkly oversized clips will not be allowed. Girls can wear small ribbons in hair however these must be **black** or the **colour** of their tie, they are **not** allowed to wear JoJo bows or any similar to this.

School Bags and Equipment

Equipment

All students **MUST** bring a 'School Bag' to school every day. A 'School Bag' is defined by the academy as a bag which is suitable to carry books of up to A4 size, basic equipment and kit (including trainers/football boots) for other subjects. They must all have a **clear pencil case** (these are the only type they can take into an exam) this must contain pens, pencils, ruler, rubber, highlighters, protractor and compass. It is very important where possible that students also have a calculator (Casio FX-83GTX). It is vital that students come prepared.

Jewellery

The academy has agreed that **one** small ear stud may be worn in the **bottom** of each ear. These must be a **plain** gold or silver stud. Students will be asked to remove their earrings if they do not comply with the academy regulations, this includes **removal of earrings from the top of ears**.

Apart from this, for Health and Safety reasons and to promote the general business-like values of the academy, no other jewellery apart from a wrist watch may be worn. This includes rings, neck chains, bracelets and facial piercing such as nose, tongue and lip studs. If a student has jewellery on it will be confiscated.

Drinks

Students are only allowed to bring a reusable drinks bottle; however this must not contain fizzy or energy drinks. Any other bottles or fizzy or energy drinks will be confiscated and will not be returned.

Thank you for your continued support and cooperation in ensuring our high standards and expectations are maintained at Ormiston Chadwick Academy. If you have any questions or any issues please do not hesitate to contact your child's head of year.

Yours sincerely,

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Mrs L Barratt Assistant Principal













