

Monday, 2nd September 2024

Dear Parent/Carer,

Depending on the year your child is going into, either 'welcome' or 'welcome back'! It's an exciting time of year as the new academic year starts. It is so important to form positive habits and get the basics right. Ahead of tomorrow, I thought it would be useful to remind you of some important details about standards and expectations.

Uniform

I'm sure that all students will arrive in full uniform looking really smart. This is the information which was shared at the end of last year. Please remember that uniform expectations are not negotiable, and we will be in touch where standards are not met. Expectations are detailed below:

Uniform item	Notes
Academy tie	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Available on ParentPay, at TCA or from Rawcliffes, Dewsbury for £5
Academy blazer	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Available from Rawcliffes, Dewsbury Must be worn on corridors at all times
Black trousers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Full length trousers must be worn Not leggings, jogging bottoms, tracksuit bottoms, jeans or jersey material Not skin-tight fit
Black skirt	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Must be knee length Not stretchy/jersey material Must be worn with black tights
Black socks	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Must be worn if wearing trousers
Black shoes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Not trainers or pumps Converse, Vans or anything made by a sportswear brand are not allowed
Salwar kameez	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> If the neck is visible, a shirt and tie must be worn Must be black or dark blue with no patterns
School bag	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Essential item – not negotiable Must be big enough to carry PE kit, books and equipment
Jewellery	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> One ring One small bracelet One necklace (worn under the shirt)

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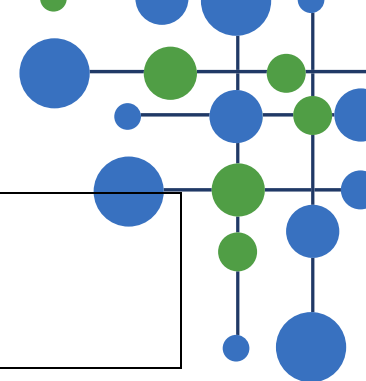
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Make up and piercings	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One small stud or sleeper in each ear lobe • One small nose stud • Discreet make up • No false nails or false eyelashes
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Start of term arrangements

All students are expected to return to the Academy tomorrow at 8.30am.

Pastoral contacts

The Student Manager is a very important port of call for students and parents/carers at TCA. Contact with them is vital, and the best way to do this is by email. Contact information for these members of staff is below:

Year 7	Miss Nurse	Annie.Nurse@sharemat.co.uk
Year 8	Mr Wilson	Ben.Wilson@sharemat.co.uk
Year 9	Miss Downs	Lauren.Downs@sharemat.co.uk
Year 10	Mr Young	Jamie.Young@sharemat.co.uk
Year 11	Mrs Crowther	Rachel.Crowther@sharemat.co.uk

Changes to the timetable – registration

Students will benefit from a slight change to the timetable this year, which will include a period with form tutors – between 8.30am and 9am. We want to support students to build great relationships with their form tutor, and making that positive interaction the first one of the day will help to do that. The form tutor should be the first port of call for attendance, behaviour and pastoral issues for students. Attendance to those registration periods is vital, and students must be on site for 8.30am every day.

The staff team have been in today ensuring that everything is ready for tomorrow morning, and the Academy is looking splendid after some renovation work over the summer. I am excited about starting another year of being nice, working hard. That starts by all of us working together and I look forward to doing that.

Yours sincerely,

Mr Burton
Headteacher