

Guide to OBA Uniform Expectations

All students are expected to wear full Academy uniforms. Arriving at the Academy well-presented and in uniform is seen as an indication that the students are ready to work hard and achieve the high standards we expect from them. Academy uniform is not to be altered or accessorised in any way.

If you have any questions, or are in any doubt, please contact the Academy **before** purchasing a uniform. **Available from Total Clothing only*

Uniform Essentials

Blazer* (compulsory)

- Academy Blazer with badge on pocket.
 - *If students choose not to wear their blazer, it must be carried.*

Jumper* (optional)

- OBA branded jumper only.

Trousers

- Smart, tailored, plain, black trousers of waist height and ankle length
 - *(no jeans, denims, chinos, skinny-fit trousers, leggings, jeggings, stretch or Lycra fit, tracksuit bottoms).*



Tie* - House Colour Tie, worn at an appropriate length, at least 5 stripes, **no** wide/half-mast ties.

Shirt/Blouse

- Collared Plain white Shirt/Blouse - **worn tucked in, with top button done up.**

Skirt*

- Plain black skirt with Academy logo.
 - *This must be knee length*



Socks/tights

- Plain black/grey/white socks/black tights
 - *If worn with tights, socks must be underneath tights.*

Shoes

- Plain black polishable leather/leather effect shoes
 - *No branding, trainers, boots, high heels or canvas shoes*



Equipment

Pen, pencil, ruler, rubber, pencil sharpener, coloured pencils and maths equipment

(when necessary)

OBA Performing Arts

- Plain black leggings, black dance trousers/jogging bottoms, or plain black shorts (**No** “hot pants” style, nor PE skort)
- Polo Shirt with Academy logo (same as for PE kit)
- Students in the School Musical are permitted to wear their show t-shirt or jumper for dance and drama lessons only.
- Jewellery should be removed for practical lessons and hair should be tied up.



OBA PE Kit

Students must change into the appropriate kit for health and safety reasons. Students need a separate bag for Academy equipment and PE kit.

The PE kit **must** contain:

- Polo shirt with Academy logo*
- Black Training Top with Academy logo*
- Plain Black Shorts or Black Skort or Plain Black Tracksuit Bottoms or Black Performing Arts Leggings
- Black Football socks
- Sport Trainers (**not** hi-tops or boots)
- Shin Pads (Compulsory for Football)
- Football Boots (Compulsory for Football and Rugby)
- Gum Shield - Students will not be able to participate in contact Rugby lessons without wearing one



Other OBA Uniform Expectations

Jewellery

One small single stud in each ear, **one** wrist watch and **one** sensible ring.

No hoops of any size, ear stretchers/spike earrings, large studs, hanging or oversized earrings.

No other visible piercings or jewellery i.e. nose, lip, eyebrow or tongue. Students **are not** allowed to cover such piercings with plasters, nor are they allowed to wear plastic retainers.

No bracelets or necklaces.

Hair and make-up

The Academy will not accept students having haircuts with markings, tramlines, cuts, or symbols. Hair colour must be natural in appearance. Shoulder-length hair should be tied back for all practical lessons. The school reserves the right to enforce sanctions on students with unsuitable hairstyles in accordance with the behaviour policy. Students will be asked to remove excessive makeup, unnatural coloured nail varnish, false nails, and false eyelashes.

