

Uniform

Robert Smyth Academy is very proud of the standards it maintains with uniform. This is achieved through the partnership between the Academy and home. To enable you to support the Academy the full uniform requirements are listed below.

Robert Smyth Academy bespoke school uniform and PE kit is supplied by Uniform Direct – a well-established and experienced supplier of school uniform and PE kit

All items of uniform are of a high quality, hard wearing and offer excellent value for money and can be purchased via

- www.uniform-direct.com or by phone (office hours) – 01522 510016.
For delivery to home one off charge of £3.96 for any number of items
For delivery to school during term time – no delivery charge
- In store: Uniform Direct
54-56 Humberstone Gate
Leicester
LE1 3PJ

The following bespoke items can only be purchased from our supplier ‘Uniform Direct’

Blazer

Black with Academy badge on pocket, single breasted, two-button blazer.

Tie

Official clip on RSA tie, reaching the waist. Ties should not be tucked into shirts.

Skirt

Grey pleated skirt, regulation length, on or just above the knee, obtainable only from school stockist. No other style of skirt is allowed. (To allow for some growth, skirts are acceptable as long as they come no shorter than 5cm above the knee).

Trousers

Two choices of tailored mid grey only.

Full elastic back, generous fit trousers or men's trousers mid grey only.

Mid grey one clip trouser or stretch straight trousers.

Only available from Uniform Direct.

The following, non-bespoke items can be purchased from local retailers OR from Uniform Direct

Shirts

White buttoned shirt, which should be tucked in at all times.

Socks and tights

Plain black or dark grey socks or black tights

Shoes

Shoes should be plain black only with a maximum heel height of 5cm and a maximum sole thickness of 2cm (the heel height is measured from the ground to the welt up the back of the heel). Boots, boot-style shoes, stiletto heels, sling-back shoes, canvas shoes, suede shoes, trainers and skater style shoes are not permitted. – please see further clarification later in the booklet.

Academy Bag

A bag fit for the purpose of carrying school equipment, books and folders.

Turbans

Black or dark green.

Hijabs

Black and pinned under the chin to stay on the head comfortably. Hijabs worn around the neck only are not permitted.

All outdoor wear (Coats, scarves, hats, gloves)

Must be removed inside the school building.

Please note HOODIES are not coats and are not acceptable.

Jewellery

Students may wear one pair of plain gold or silver discreet stud earrings (one in each earlobe).

In Years 10 and 11 only, students may also wear one plain gold or silver ring and chain. Nothing else is permitted, e.g. no nose studs or other body studs and bracelets are to be worn.

Make-Up

In Years 7, 8 and 9 no make-up or nail varnish is allowed.

In Years 10 and 11 a small amount of discreet make-up is allowed but lipstick, coloured lipsalve and nail varnish are not. Students must not bring make-up into school.

Hairstyles

Extreme hairstyles, cut and colour are not allowed on any occasion. Examples of extreme hair styles would include close shaved (less than a No. 2 cut or a skin fade), decoratively shaved, short on the side and long on top. Two tone colouring, extensive highlighting and decorative braiding are not allowed.

If parents are not sure what the Academy sees as “extreme” they are advised to seek clarification before any styling or colouring is undertaken.

PE Kit –

***Only available from Uniform Direct**

COMPULSORY (KS3)

*Black/green with RSA logo polo shirt

*Black shorts/skort/leggings

*Black/ green reversible rugby shirt (boys)

*Quarter zip sweatshirt (Girls)

*Black/bottle green with RSA letters – sports socks

*White/black trainer socks

COMPULSORY (KS4)

*Black/ green with RSA logo polo shirt

*Black shorts/skort/leggings/black tracksuit bottoms

*Black/bottle green with RSA letters – sports socks

*White/black trainer socks

Optional Extras

*Quarter zip sweatshirt

It is highly recommended that students have a gum shield (can be purchased from a local retailer or your dentist)

Sports Footwear

Trainers

Studded boots & shin pads (to be worn for a range of activities on the playing fields)

Please note

Students are reminded that they should bring their PE kit to all PE lessons (even if injured).

If students are unable to take part in a practical way then they will be expected to play a full part in the lesson in a non-practical role (for example as a coach, umpire or match reporter) to ensure that they still get the most out of the lesson.

Please remember:

Academy uniform should not be mixed with non-uniform items e.g. Hoodies will not be permitted. School bags should be an appropriate size and free of graffiti.

The sports clothing specified in the uniform list must be worn for PE and games, and for matches with other schools. All uniform must be clearly labelled. The use of laundry markers is proving to be most effective in the return of mislaid items.

In travelling to and from the Academy, while at the Academy and while representing the Academy at functions or matches, students should wear full Academy uniform. Uniform is also normally to be worn during educational visits.

If a student arrives at school with incorrect uniform their College Leader or the Principal may:

- (a) Send the student home to change, having first contacted the parents.
- (b) Provide a change of uniform
- (c) Send the student to internal exclusion to work for the day.

The Principal's decision on acceptable uniform is final.

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