

AMM/MTC

2nd July 2024

Dear Parent/Carer,

As we come to the end of the year, I write not only to wish you and your family a happy and healthy summer break but also to send a reminder of our high expectations of students for the new academic year with regards to uniform expectations.

Uniform

Please see on the following page and at https://www.magnusacademy.co.uk/parent-information/uniform/ for a reminder of our equipment, uniform expectations and examples of acceptable items. We ask that you support your child in maintaining the high standards that we set, and to inform your child's pastoral leader if you have any difficulties that we may be able to assist with.

Upon our return in September, we expect students to be wearing the correct uniform in line with our expectations and adhering, also, to the rules in relation to hair, make-up, false nails and jewellery. Any failure to do so will be addressed either with the student, or, if necessary, with parents. We appreciate that currently some of these expectations are not fully met, particularly with regards to skirts and school shoes. Our uniform policy is very clear that students must wear black, polishable shoes, black trainers are not acceptable. Also, skirts must be knee length. We recognise that at this time in the year, it is not feasible to replace incorrect uniform this close to the summer break. However, any exceptions that are currently being allowed, will not be allowed in September and all noncompliance will be challenged.

If you have any questions about this or have difficulty sourcing correct uniform, please do not hesitate to get in touch before the summer so we can help, ensuring a smooth and successful start to the new school year for your child. To support you with this, there will be a display from our uniform suppliers at school on Wednesday 3rd July, from 4pm onwards, along with members of staff to answer any questions or queries you may have.

Please contact us at school if you require further clarification or support.

Yours faithfully,

Mrs Anna M Martin Executive Principal

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Boys Years 7 – 11

Daywear

School blazer with badge

Tie

White shirt, tucked in at all times

Black tailored trousers (not skinny or jean fit)

Black socks

Plain black V- neck jumper (optional)

PE Kit

Black Magnus Polo Shirt Reversible school rugby shirt Black shorts

White ankle/sports socks Rugby socks (boys only)

Hooded Magnus top for Girls

Girls Years 7 - 11

Daywear

School blazer with badge

Tie

White shirt, tucked in at all times

Magnus purple tartan skirt (worn to the knee) or black tailored trousers (not skinny fit)

Plain black tights with skirt (40-70 denier)
White ankle socks with skirt (Summer Term only)

Plain black v neck jumpers (optional)

Shoes

Plain black polishable shoes, no more that 1inch heel height. Shoes with distinctive fashion features such as buckles, logos and tags are not permitted as a normal part of the daywear; subtle black adornments are acceptable (see www.magnusacademy.co.uk for a guide to suitable shoes). Shoes with kitten or stiletto heels, boots and ballet-style shoes are also not allowed.

Jewellery

Students may wear a watch however due to health and safety issues and concerns relating to loss of valuable items, students are not allowed to wear jewellery, including earrings and piercings of any kind, during their time at the academy. Students are not allowed to wear smart watches during exams.

Hairstyles

Hairstyles should be neat in a natural colour and not be extreme in style. Where hair is cut short, this should not be extreme and preferably no shorter than a grade 2. As a general guide, examples of extreme hair styles might include hair that is dyed an artificial colour; any two-tone; colouring/bleaching for example the effect resulting in hair being 'dip dyed'; excessive use of a hair product to encourage hair to stand up; hair that is shaved very short in some places but left longer on the top/in the middle, hair that is combed into any sort of Mohican style, hair that has any sort of pattern or parting shaved into it. Some fashion styles are proving problematic where hair is 'side parted' by shaving short on one side and combing longer strands of hair to the other side. **The head of school reserves the right to assess whether a style is considered extreme or not**. Parents should consult, in advance, if they are unsure as to the suitability of a change of style. Caps of all kinds must not be worn in and around the academy.

Make-up

Y7 – 11 may not wear make-up, nail varnish that is not natural in colour or false nails. If make-up is noticeable then students will be required to remove this using a make-up remover wipe. If nail varnish is not natural in colour students will be required to remove this using nail varnish remover.

What equipment do I need in lessons?

It is important that students are properly prepared and focussed for each lesson and must bring the following equipment every day:

- ✓ Black and red pens
- ✓ Pencil
- ✓ 30cm ruler
- ✓ Coloured pencils
- ✓ Rubber
- ✓ Sharpener
- ✓ Calculator- Casio fx 83GT plus or the fx 85GT plus
- ✓ Library book

It would also be helpful if all pupils had the following:

- ✓ Dictionary
- ✓ Protractor
- ✓ Pair of compasses
- ✓ General notebook

During exam time you will be asked to bring your equipment in a see through bag. Tippex is not permitted.









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