

16th February 2024

Dear Parent / Carer,

As we reach the end of our third half term, I thought it important to send a reminder about uniform and appearance expectations in school. Standards of uniform in the school continue to be generally high and the majority of students do wear the correct uniform for school each day.

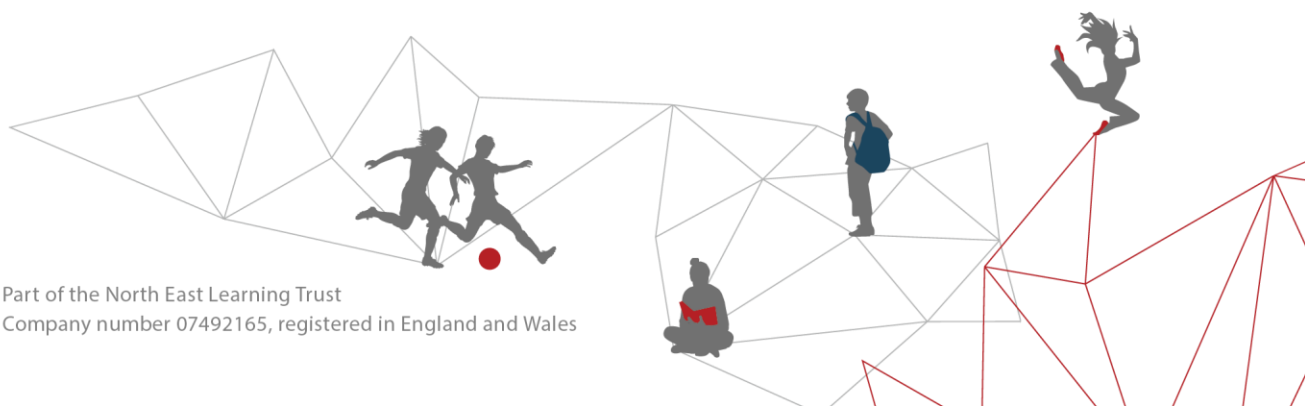
### **Uniform and General Appearance**

Please read our guide from page 22 onwards for a reminder of our expectations - <https://www.easingtonacademy.co.uk/filecache/ded/ecb/29558-a-guide-to-easington-academy14.pdf>. We are seeing an increasing amount of jewellery, makeup (including false lashes and nails), fake tan and inappropriate hairstyles and kindly request that you ensure your child complies with our expectations as outlined in our policy to avoid unnecessary phone calls and sanctions. Several students have been spoken to regarding concerns and after half term if these aren't rectified then sanctions following the behaviour system will be used.

### **Skirts**

Skirt length continues to be a concern. Skirts **MUST** be a reasonable length (no more than 2 to 3 inches above the knee) and remain so when your child moves around. As a school, we have been as flexible as possible with style and material, but we insist that skirts are (and remain) a reasonable length. We have a stock of good quality, new uniform items for students to borrow should they attend school not dressed in full, appropriate uniform. If you would like to purchase a skirt from us, please contact the Main Office or your child's year manager.

We know that students attempt to convince their parents that wearing a different uniform item or lashes and fake tan will not be an issue. This is not the case, and we want to avoid the frustration caused when parents are persuaded, by their child, to buy inappropriate items of uniform (e.g., shoes or trousers) to then find that they then need to go to the expense of replacing the item/s. Consistent breaches of our uniform and appearance expectations will be tackled through our behaviour system.



Apart from our school tie and PE top, all items can be bought in supermarkets and high street stores. If you would prefer items with our school logo, these can be purchased from Emblematic and please don't forget the Uniformd app for "preloved" items.

If you are in any doubt about whether or not an item would be acceptable uniform, please contact your child's year manager for clarification before making any purchase.

### **Equipment**

Every student must bring a bag to school every day which is large enough to carry an A4 size folder. They are also expected to have the following equipment with them each day:

- Black pen
- Green pen
- Pencil
- Ruler
- Glue stick
- Homework folder (provided\_

Daily uniform and equipment checks take place during form time each morning and concerns are "flagged" on Easi. By logging into your child's account, you are able to keep track of this.

In addition to ensuring your child fulfils their academic potential, we are committed to fostering and developing the necessary skills, qualities and behaviours to be successful in school and beyond. In September we introduced Easington IMPACT which underpins all that we do here in the Academy, please find a copy of this attached. Once each student has gained 10 house points for each IMPACT category, they will be awarded with their IMPACT badge; this can also be tracked on your child's Easi account.

The majority of students come into school each day in full uniform and prepared to learn and I thank you for your support with this. I am sure that by working together we can get the next half term off to a flying start and avoid any unnecessary upset or extra expense.

Yours faithfully,

Nicky Falconer

Head of School

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Nicky Falconer', with a large, stylized initial 'N'.