

Uniform

Buckler's Mead uniform is integral to our approach. Pupils should wear their uniform with pride, signifying that they are ready to learn. Our uniform approach promotes inclusivity and supports our purposeful learning environment. It is one of the outward signs by which the local community recognises and makes judgments about the pupils. It is important for pupils and the school that the way pupils present themselves is positive and acceptable and supports a well ordered and smart establishment. It is expected that all pupils will come to Buckler's Mead School every day in the correct uniform as we want our students to take pride and belong to the school. The support of parents in ensuring this is expected. These items listed form the regulation School uniform and must be worn on a daily basis.



Blazers (Grey) with the academy must be worn around the school site at all times including break times. Students can remove these when seated with permission from a teacher. The House colour badge should be worn on the left lapel.

School jumper: A plain black 'V neck' standard knitted school style jumper (not patterned) is worn underneath the blazer. There is no requirement for the jumper to have the BMA logo on it

Shirt/blouse: white, buttoned up to neck. Any vests or t-shirts worn under the shirt must be plain white and without a logo. They should not be visible. School Tie: striped, upper school or prefect (clip on is available)

Skirts: should be black and pleated between 5cm above the knee and 7cm below. They should be suitable rather than stretchy material. Skirts should be worn with plain black or neutral tights, or ankle or knee length socks

Trousers: School trousers should be plain black. No faded trousers, denim or denim look, chinos, joggers, leggings or hipsters should be worn. Trousers should be full length reaching down to the shoe

Tailored Shorts: black, knee length tailored shorts

Socks: Socks should be plain black with no visible logo and cover the ankle, not short trainer socks

Shoes: flat black leather (or leather style) formal school shoes, not suede or other fabrics, not boots. The wearing of trainers or shoes that resemble or have similar features are not allowed. Typical styles of shoes are- oxford, derby, brogue or loafer. Please be advised that stores will often provide misleading or incorrect guidance regarding footwear.

Make up: Only discrete and natural looking makeup is permitted. Natural looking makeup may include a pale shade of eye shadow, black or brown mascara and foundation the same colour as the student's natural skin tone. Glitter makeup, bold and unnatural eyeliner and lipstick are not permitted

Nail extensions, long nails and/or nail varnish are not permitted

Hair: No extreme haircuts or colours are permitted. Hair should be natural looking. More than one colour is not acceptable. Streaks of colour within the hair that are not the student's natural hair colour are not acceptable. Mohican and undercut styles are not acceptable

Jewellery/Badges: One studded earring only is permitted in each earlobe. Other sorts of earrings, of any colour, including 'spacers, bars, or spikes' are not permitted. All other body piercings are not acceptable and cannot be covered by a plaster. This includes nose studs, tongue bars and piercings at the top of the ear. One simple ring, no large stones or sovereigns are permitted. Necklaces and bracelets should not be worn; with the exception of one charity band which must be removed for PE.

Coats- students should wear a sensible, warm and waterproof coat during the winter months. Hoodies or other fabric garments are not permitted. Hoods should only be worn during wet weather and taken down during all other times. Coats do not replace the need to wear a blazer. Coats should always be worn on top of blazers.

Only official Bucklers Mead Academy badges can be worn on the lapel of the blazer. Bucklers Mead Academy badges are encouraged to be worn with pride.

Where a student fails to meet this expectation, they will be directed to Student Support where contact with the parents or carers will be made. If possible, it is expected that parents/carers rectify the uniform immediately by bringing the correct item of clothing onto the school site. If they are unable to do this, Student Support will, as far as is possible, loan an alternative item to the student.

Students who persistently arrive onsite dressed inappropriately will complete an IEC day and parents will be contacted.

If a student refuses to accept a loan item, they will be isolated until the uniform can be rectified. The uniform policy is clear, and it is our expectation that student's take responsibility for ensuring they meet it. Should a family require support to ensure the student has all items of uniform required, the Student Support Team will be able to support the student. The school will ensure that any familial financial limitations do not cause the student to be unable to meet the uniform standards.