



**STANDARDS OF
PERSONAL APPEARANCE
&
UNIFORM**

Throughout school life, we are all judged on our standard of personal appearance: school is no different. We encourage students to take pride in themselves and their appearance at all times. Therefore, we ask parents adhere to the lists set out below and use only Walkden High School approved suppliers.

PLEASE NOTE THAT ANY STUDENT WHO DOES NOT COME TO SCHOOL DRESSED APPROPRIATELY FOR SCHOOL WILL BE RETURNED HOME UNTIL THE CONCERN(S) IDENTIFIED HAS BEEN CORRECTED.

Compulsory Day Wear:

- **Hair:** Hair should be worn in a simple, neat style of natural colour, with no hair or eyebrow shavings or inappropriate headwear.
- **Make-Up:** Excessive make up, nail varnish, false nails or false eyelashes are not acceptable.
- **Jewellery:** Is restricted to a single pair of plain gold or silver sleeper stud earrings and/or charity wrist bands. No other visible body piercings are allowed. Any items worn must be able to be removed upon request (e.g. for health and safety reasons during PE).
- **Blazer:** This is compulsory for all students and must be worn at all times around school, except when permission has been given in the classroom for it to be removed due to temperature, and for strenuous games in the playground.
- **Shirt:** All students must wear a white school shirt tucked in at the waistband and with the top button fastened.
- **Tie:** Must be worn correctly, with the Walkden Lion visible below the tie knot.
- **Trousers/Skirt:** Plain, black and businesslike, with skirt of an appropriate length.
- **Socks:** Plain black or white socks or black tights.
- **Shoes:** All students will wear plain black shoes with no visible fashion features. For safety reasons shoes should not be open toed. Trainers are forbidden unless accompanied by a note highlighting a medical issue.

We are conscious that manufacturers do not make it easy for parents to select appropriate footwear. In order to provide further clarification, our Parent Reference Group have produced the following guidance.

'A shoe is black with no visible branding and may be polished. It has a leather or black sole and no sports brand or canvas design is permitted'.

The shoes below are examples of those styles that are acceptable for school: any styles that vary from these may not be allowed and may result in you being required to purchase additional footwear for your child.



The following styles of shoes are expressly forbidden:



Expected School Equipment:

All students should attend school with all basic equipment (pen, pencil, ruler, rubber, dictionary, calculator and proper bags in which to carry this equipment) each day. Bags should be of an appropriate design and have the capacity to fit in the student's school books, many of which will be A4 sized. Handbags or 'man bags' are not acceptable.

Non Regulation Items:

The simple message is the best one: 'Do not bring expensive and/or precious items of clothing or other possessions into school'. Though mobile phones are permitted for use in social spaces/times, where they are seen in Learning Zones/lesson time, they will be treated as non regulation items.

Staff are committed to providing the best education and must not have their time wasted pursuing students who do not comply with expected standards.

Any non-regulation items brought into school will be confiscated and returned after five working days. Any student who knowingly breaks this rule does so at their own risk. We do not accept any responsibility for any non-regulation possessions brought into school. As we are a 'Healthy Eating School', students are not permitted to sell sweets or drinks. Any student found to do so will have them confiscated.