

November 2023

Dear Parents and Carers

As a school we regularly review and evaluate our systems and policies to ensure we are providing the very best environment for students to learn and be successful. We would like to take a moment to remind you of our school's expectations regarding **uniform**, **equipment**, and **punctuality** to school and lessons and to inform you of a **few updates**.

At Seahaven Academy students are expected to wear the school uniform outlined below. We believe this creates a sense of identity and belonging and supports the notion that a uniform or dress code is representative of high expectations and standards, thus helping to create an effective and calm learning environment.

Uniform:

- Uniform black blazer
- Uniform orange, black and grey tie
- Uniform jumper (optional) with orange piping or new grey jumper with logo
- Uniform formal black trousers or uniform black "Charleston" style skirt (knee length)
- White formal shirt worn tucked in with the top button done up
- Black formal 'polishable' shoes (plain, no trainers, boots, branded shoes or cloth shoes)
- Black socks or tights (no white socks)

From Monday 4th December 2023, only the grey school jumper with orange piping (or badge) will be permitted as part of the main school uniform. The black PE jumper may only be worn during PE lessons. Students may wear the PE jumper for travelling to and from school however this will need to be removed before entering school. A school jumper has always been an optional addition to the unform as the temperature in the school is warm enough for students to be comfortable in a shirt and blazer.

Whilst we appreciate and apologise for the short notice, all students were informed of this change last week in assembly and have/will be again this week. The reason for the late communication is twofold; firstly, we needed to ensure our suppliers had ample stock of grey jumpers which they have now confirmed. Secondly, we required to negotiate a discounted price for the grey jumpers to support families who wish to purchase them, which we have successfully now done. A brand-new school grey jumper will cost £12 (for all sizes) which is cheaper than the black PE sweatshirts. This heavily discounted price has been agreed until the end of this calendar year. Please follow the link below if you wish to place an order.

https://gameforlife.co.uk/collections/seahaven-academy/products/seahavenacadjumper

We would also remind you:

• Jewellery – one stud or sleeper per ear and a watch. Clear retainers should be worn for facial piercings. Please do not get piercings where clear retainers cannot be worn immediately for school.



Seahaven Academy Haven Way Newhaven BN9 9TD t 01273 517601 f 01273 611182 Nail varnish and false nails – are not permitted. False nails present a health and safety issue especially in practical subjects. Please do not get false nails that cannot be removed for school.

Any student arriving with incorrect uniform and/or piercings/nails that are not permitted and cannot be resolved immediately upon arrival at school will either be sent home or spend the day in the Refocus room.

Equipment: We expect all students to come to school prepared with the necessary equipment for their classes. To support families with this, we have/will be providing every student in the school with a full set of equipment in a pencil case for learning during assembly this week.

Punctuality: We expect all students to arrive at school on time and ready to learn. Being late to school and class disrupts the learning experience for everyone, and it is important that we all respect each other's time. If you are running late, please let the school know as soon as possible.

From Monday 4th December 2023, students who are late to lesson will be set to the Refocus room for two lessons and a social time. Students sent to Refocus Period 4 and 5 will complete a 15-minute detention after school. Movement time and lessons bells have been adapted to ensure students have plenty of time to transition between lessons around the school.

Finally, if you require support with purchasing any school uniform and/or replacement equipment, please contact your child's school community team.

Many thanks for your anticipated support in continuing to raise the standards and expectations at Seahaven Academy.

Yours sincerely

The Seahaven Academy Senior Leadership Team