



**TRINITY
ACADEMY**

Uniform and Equipment Policy

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1. Uniform Supplier



Our uniform supplier AlleyCatz offer an online service via our bespoke school uniform website:

www.alleycatz.co.uk/schools/trinity-academy-bristol

Free School Delivery (FSD)

Alleycatz will offer a free school delivery and collection service once a week on a Friday during term time- please order by the end of the previous week. There is an option to select FSD at checkout- which will require you to provide the student's name and tutor group. This is very important to help the school to direct your order quickly once it has been delivered. If your child has not yet started, please select New starter in Year X

Courier Service

If you wish to have an order sent to your home or work, AlleyCatz offer a chargeable courier service via DPD with a one-hour time slot.

Contact Details

AlleyCatz Limited

T: Online orders (warehouse): 01932 221883

E: info@alleycatz.co.uk

W: www.alleycatz.co.uk

A: AlleyCatz Ltd, Warehouse 11-13 Old Esher Road, Hersham, Surrey, KT12 4NH

Warehouse/Online opening hours: Monday to Friday 9.00am – 5pm, Closed Saturday, Sunday and Bank Holidays

Another key reason that we are passionate about our partnership with Alleycatz is that, from January 2022, any new Trinity Academy blazer that is made will be coming from a manufacturer called David Luke Schoolwear. In 2010 David Luke Schoolwear was the first business within the industry to introduce recycled polyester to its product portfolio when they created the Eco-blazer. This means that 100% of the polyester that is used to manufacture the blazer comes from recycled plastic bottles instead of crude oil. The process Depolymerisation is a process which allows you to take a plastic bottle back to its original state of crude oil. Polymerisation follows the same process in reverse, allowing it to be a component of an Eco-fabric. The average number of non-biodegradable plastic drinking bottles used in making each blazer is 18, which would otherwise end up in landfill. Click [HERE](#) to find out more.

2. Cost of School uniform

Trinity has given careful consideration to the Department for Education's statutory guidance regarding the cost of school uniform. We are also committed to working hard to ensure our uniform is reasonable and secures best value for money.

Our Uniform policy is developed to ensure:

- The uniform creates a shared identify for all pupils and does not distinguish between pupils.
- The uniform reflects and reinforces the school's high behaviour expectations.
- The uniform is safe and suitable for all types of lessons.

Ensuring Trinity uniform is affordable.

We have undertaken the following steps to ensure the cost of our uniform is kept as low as possible:

- In 2021, we selected a new supplier who offers extremely good value for money which includes a highly personalised service and high quality, long lasting uniform. We will re-tender within 5 years or earlier (in the event service levels drop) to ensure we continue to receive the best value for money
- Branded items have been kept to a minimum. Items such as trousers, shirts, sports leggings/trackpants and trousers, socks/tights may be purchased from any supplier.
- The number of different items of uniform have been kept to a minimum: there are no house colour requirements, no requirements for additional uniform for co-curricular activities and one sports kit for all sports.
- A free delivery service to school is available.
- The school continues to work with our supplier to ensure the cost of uniform remains as low as possible.

Second hand uniform

As a new school there is a fairly limited supply of second hand uniform available. However, we have begun collecting donations of pre-loved uniform, which will be made available to parents/carers. Departing students will also be given the opportunity to sell their uniform back to the school.

We are also currently exploring various methods by which parents can sell uniform directly to other parents. Further information about pre-loved uniform sales will be shared with all of our school community as soon as possible.

Financial support with the cost of uniform

We offer £50 reimbursement towards the cost of uniform to all families entitled to free school meals for their first purchase of uniform upon enrollment at Trinity. We also consider further support where families are still unable to afford the uniform or are not in receipt of free school meals but cannot afford the uniform. Financial support can be sought by email to: enquiries@trinityacademybristol.org or by talking to any member of the Pastoral Support team.

3. Uniform policy and expectations

Our dress is smart and business-like to show respect and care for ourselves and our community. When dressed in their uniform, students are representing Trinity Academy and they should look smart and well-presented at all times. All students must wear the correct school uniform to and from school and during the school day. This will also be a requirement for school trips, unless stated otherwise.

The decision of the Headteacher is final and students may not be allowed to participate in the school day if they are not wearing the correct uniform. If this occurs students may be lent uniform or asked to return home to change (following parental contact).

Daywear

Compulsory

- **Grey blazer** with embroidered school badge to be worn at all times (available from AlleyCatz only). *Students are expected to wear their blazers at all times around the school unless permission to remove it is granted by a member of staff. Blazer sleeves should not be rolled up.*
- **Knee-length tartan skirt** (available from AlleyCatz only). *This is to be worn on or below the knee, not rolled up.*
- **Tailored black trousers** (for boys or girls). *Straight, skinny leg trousers, capri-style, 'ankle grazers', cropped, leggings or jeggings are not acceptable.*
- **School tie** (available from AlleyCatz only), *to be tied up to collar and normal length with seven stripes showing.*

- **Plain white shirt** with buttons to the neck and standard collar. *Must be tucked in at all times. Top button done up at all times.*
- **Black or grey plain tights**, no stockings or hold ups are permitted. Tights with holes and/or ladders are unacceptable.
- **Black socks only**. No sports socks, trainer socks or over the knee socks.

Optional

- Black v-neck pullover with stripe (available from AlleyCatz only)



Shoes

Please check with the school if there are any queries regarding the suitability of footwear. We will insist on student's wearing appropriate footwear. Students will not be allowed to participate in the school day in inappropriate footwear and will either be provided with alternative footwear or asked to return home in order to change.

- **All students should wear black low-heeled polishable or patent shoes**
- Ballet pumps, boots or trainers are not acceptable
- Heel height should not exceed 4cm
- Markings and logos are not permitted
- Soles, laces and stitchings on shoes should be black only

Examples of acceptable and unacceptable shoes:



Sportswear








Compulsory

- **Top outer layer must be a Trinity branded item (either school blazer over Sports kit, Trinity T shirt or Trinity Sport zip up top).**
- Black and purple round neck short-sleeved sports top with school badge (available from AlleyCatz only) or plain black T shirt, no logos.
- Black and purple shorts or skort (available from AlleyCatz only).
- Black leggings or track pants. These can either be with school badge (available from AlleyCatz only) or plain black (no branding or other logos permitted)
- Black and purple socks (available from AlleyCatz only).
- Black socks for PE
- Shin pads.
- Boots with firm ground moulded studs for activities based on our specialist artificial pitches.



Trainers for PE (no fully black-soled trainers allowed as they will mark the sports hall - please see guidance below) must be sports trainers, not fashion trainers such as Nike Air force, Jordans Vans or converse. Trainers will be advertised as 'non marking' and if in doubt, please ask in-store BEFORE purchasing.

3G PITCH FOOTWEAR GUIDELINES

| PERMITTED FOOTWEAR | FORBIDDEN FOOTWEAR | |
|---|---|---|
|  <p>Artificial Ground (AG) RECOMMENDED</p> |  <p>Soft Ground (SG) TEAR THE SURFACE</p> |  <p>Blades CAN CAUSE INJURY</p> |
|  <p>Firm Ground (FG) RECOMMENDED</p> |  <p>Soft Ground Pro (SGP) TEAR THE SURFACE</p> |  <p>Flat Soled Trainers (Indoor) NO GRIP & FLATTEN SURFACE</p> |
|  <p>Hard Ground (HG) RECOMMENDED</p> |  <p>Astro Turf Trainers LIMITED GRIP & FLATTEN SURFACE</p> |  <p>General Footwear NO GRIP & FLATTEN / DAMAGE SURFACE</p> |



Other

- We ask students to **remove coats** when in the building.
- Hoodies are not allowed.
- **Headscarves**, headbands or wraps must be plain grey or black and, if necessary, securely fastened with a plain black pin.
- Vests or t-shirts worn under shirts for warmth must not be visible.
- No scarves, hats or gloves to be worn in school.
- Hair styles and colour must be natural. We follow the Halo Code (details can be found [here](#)).
- Students can wear a single, small plain stud earring in each earlobe.
- A single small nose stud is permitted, but no other visible piercings will be permitted.
- No bracelets, rings or necklaces to be visible. No hoops or dangly earrings.
- Make-up must be discreet and no false nails/extensions are permitted. Nail varnish must not be worn at school.

All parts of the school uniform and sports kit must be clearly marked with the student's full name. School sports kits must be worn for all games lessons, after school sports sessions, matches and for dance.