

18th October 2023

Dear Parent/Carer,

I hope this letter finds you well. We would like to take this opportunity to remind you of our academy's uniform policy, particularly the requirement for students to wear their ties as part of their full uniform.

As you may recall, we sent the letter which can be found [here](#) on 28th September addressing the issue of some students arriving at the academy without their ties and how Trutex would be willing to offer support with any issues. Unfortunately, this issue has persisted, and we have had to provide 124 ties to students who have not had them this academic year. Last academic year the academy spent £6,200 supporting uniform corrections.

It is the responsibility of parents and carers to ensure that students attend the academy in full uniform, including the proper wearing of their ties. A uniform is an essential aspect of maintaining a positive and professional learning environment.

Starting from Monday 23rd October, any student who arrives at the academy without a tie will be issued with a C4 (30 minute detention after school). This is a measure we take seriously to encourage students to adhere to the uniform policy consistently.

In extreme cases whereby parents continually do not offer support with their child's uniform in line with the academy's uniform policy, further support will be sought from North Yorkshire Children's Services to support the family.

I appreciate our uniform expectations have a financial cost and should you require financial assistance with the purchase of uniform, please complete this [Hardship Request](#) form for consideration.

We kindly request your support in reinforcing the importance of wearing the complete uniform, including the tie, to your child. If you have any concerns or difficulties regarding the uniform requirements, please do not hesitate to contact us via enquiries@ripon.outwood.com, and we will do our best to assist.

We appreciate your cooperation and understanding in this matter, as it contributes to the overall well-being and professionalism of our academy.

Thank you for your continued support in ensuring that our students receive the best education and experiences possible.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Mr. O'Brien', written in a cursive style.

Mr O'Brien
Vice Principal