

Madeley Academy



Academy Environment

Healthy School

The Academy has developed its work on healthy living, and we have received a number of Healthy School Awards. A very successful Health Drop-In operates to support students on health matters. **Please note that energy drinks are banned on the Academy site; they are very unhealthy and over-consumption can be dangerous.**

Parents/Carers are requested to encourage their child to accept the advice given on health matters in relation to exercise, sex, diet, drugs and smoking.

Smoking

The Academy site is a no smoking site and every effort will be made to adhere to recent legislation which will result in students receiving a fine if caught smoking on the premises.

Parents/Carers are requested to emphasise to their child that smoking on the Academy site will not be tolerated and encourage attendance at the Help-2-Quit sessions if your child has a nicotine habit.

Drugs

Parents/Carers, students, governors and staff are united in adopting a zero tolerance to the possession or use of drugs on the Academy site. This ensures that the children will be kept safe and healthy whilst at the Academy.

Parents/Carers are requested to remind their child of this and emphasise that possession or use of drugs on the Academy site can result in permanent exclusion which will place students at a real disadvantage.

Chewing Gum

Chewing gum is totally banned on the Academy site. It can be responsible for damage to furniture, carpets and external areas. Bins for chewing gum are positioned by the entrance gates. Any person coming onto the Academy site is expected to remove chewing gum.

Parents/Carers are requested to counsel students on this issue to avoid conflict.

MP3 Type Players & Mobile phones

MP3 type players are banned and will be confiscated if brought to the Academy. Mobile phones are also banned. Students may have them in their bags or pocket switched off, but cannot take them out and use them anywhere on the Academy site. If mobile phones are used they will be confiscated and on the first occasion returned to the student at the end of the day. If a mobile phone continues to create a nuisance it will be confiscated and held until a parent/carer can collect it. Times for collection are 4.30pm Mondays – Thursdays and 3.30pm on Fridays.

Equipment

Every student is expected to provide the following basic items of equipment:

- Blue or black pen
- Pencil and pencil sharpener
- Ruler 12"/30cm
- Pencil eraser
- Coloured pencils
- Official Academy bag to carry homework folder/books/pencil case/PE kit

All students are expected to bring their Academy bag to the Academy every day.

Tippex/Liquid Paper is not allowed in the Academy and should not be used on any Academy work. Subject books and homework folders are issued to all students. **Any loss or damage to Academy property will be expected to be paid for by students.**

Homework

Parents/Carers are requested to encourage their child to complete homework each night. It would be very helpful if a quiet space at home could be found for work to be completed. The Academy Library is open after 4.00pm, where computers can be used if one is not available at home. All students will automatically become a member of the Library.

Parents/Carers are invited to raise issues about homework with their child's Personal Tutor through their progress check returns. Mr Boyle (Deputy Headteacher) has overall responsibility for monitoring homework.

Extra-Curricular Programme

Please encourage your child to take advantage of the extra curricular programme.

In order for Madeley Academy to be able to offer more opportunities for our students, we are looking for any parents/carers interested in assisting with the extra-curricular programme. This would be an excellent opportunity for you to be able to get first-hand experience of coaching but also to gain coaching qualifications.

If you feel you are able to help in this matter, please let Mr Williams know. Parents/Carers are also invited to help with reading and literacy. Please contact Mrs Haycock.

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Academy Dress Code & Rules Academic Year 2014-15

At Madeley Academy we believe that smartly dressed students create a positive image of themselves and of the Academy. This in turn can help students obtain employment or a place in further education or training. A high standard of personal appearance is expected of all students and anyone arriving at the Academy in non-uniform clothing may expect to be sent home to get changed.

In exceptional circumstances students inappropriately dressed may be provided with the appropriate garment by the Academy as a temporary measure. All students are required to have full uniform – fashion garments are not allowed.

Boys' Uniform

- Black Blazer with Academy badge
- Black full-length school trousers – no denim or black jeans
- White shirt (to be tucked in with collar fastened)
- Academy tie (to be fastened around the collar and hung down to the waist)
- Black V-neck Academy jumper or cardigan with purple line (jumpers are optional and do not replace the blazer)
- Black shoes of a sensible design – **no** trainers
- Black socks
- Dark-coloured outdoor clothing with minimum decoration

Girls' Uniform

- Black Blazer with Academy badge
- Black full-length school trousers – no flares, denim, leggings, long shorts, black jeans or $\frac{3}{4}$ trousers
- Or black skirt – minimum 20" skirt length to the knee – no fashion skirts or belts
- White blouse (to be tucked in with collar fastened)
- Academy tie (to be fastened around the collar and hung down to the waist)
- Black V-neck Academy jumper or cardigan with purple line (jumpers are optional and do not replace the blazer)
- Black shoes of a sensible design – **no** trainers
- Black socks/tights – no fashion socks
- Dark-coloured outdoor clothing with minimum decoration

Key Stage 3 & 4 PE Kit – Boys and Girls

- Madeley Academy black and purple T-shirt
- Madeley Academy black shorts
- Madeley Academy black tracksuit bottoms
- Black football socks
- Madeley Academy black base layer top (optional)
- Madeley Academy black fleece (optional)
- Madeley Academy black smock (optional)

Please order from the PE department or from this website:

<http://www.squirrelsports.co.uk/schools/schools/madeley-academy>

GCSE/BTEC Girls Dance Kit (Years 9, 10 and 11 only)

Black high necked leotard (no straps)

Plain black crew neck shirt

Black leggings

Plain black crew neck sweatshirt with Academy logo to be purchased from Performing Arts

GCSE/BTEC Boys Dance Kit (Years 9, 10 and 11 only)

Plain black crew neck shirt

Plain black jogging bottoms

Plain black crew neck sweatshirt with Academy logo to be purchased from Performing Arts

Hair & Beauty

Black tunic to be purchased from the Vocational Training Centre

Black school trousers

Black closed toe shoes

General

- School shoes are to be worn at all times – trainers are not allowed
- Outdoor coats can be worn over a blazer – but not without the blazer
- Coats and other outdoor clothing may not be worn in classrooms or whilst eating in the Restaurant
- Caps or hats cannot be worn on the Academy site
- Non-uniform tops, including hooded tops are not allowed and cannot be worn on the Academy site
- Girls must wear normal school trousers or school skirts (which need to be knee length).
- School blazers or pullovers are the only tops allowed to be worn over a school shirt
- Hair colour and style must be appropriate for the Academy and not be extreme eg Mohican style, hair sculpting or bright colours
- Appropriate aprons must be worn for practical subjects such as Design & Technology, Art and Food Technology
- Students will be issued with a name badge that they must insert in the pocket of their Academy bag.

Jewellery

Due to Health & Safety regulations the Academy must insist upon students following the rules, which are:

- Boys and girls are allowed to wear one ear stud – no earrings
- Nose studs and other body piercings such as tongue studs are not allowed -if parents/carers agree to their child having a body piercing, then this should be **planned during a holiday** to avoid the need to wear a body piercing at school, which would result in the child being sent home if it is not removed
- One ring of sentimental value is permitted
- A watch may be worn

Students who wear bracelets and necklaces that constitute a hazard will be asked to remove them. It should also be noted that for some activities students may be requested to remove jewellery for safety reasons.

Parents/Carers are requested to ensure that their child follows the rules regarding uniform and is smart for school. In particular, to ensure that shirts are tucked in and ties worn appropriately.

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Organisation and Routines



Arrival in the Morning

At Madeley we believe in providing optimum conditions for our students. They can arrive at 7.30am and join Mr Boyle in Technology for an early morning study session - where they will be able to get on with their work. Alternatively, at 8.00am students can go to the Library to read, or research work. Another option is for them to go to the Restaurant and have a hot drink.

All students are expected to arrive by 8.20am for a swift start to lessons at 8.30am. **Students who arrive at the gate later than 8.25am will be late.**

Students cycling to the Academy must dismount at the gate and wheel their bikes to the secure bike shelters. A security lock will be needed.

Cloakrooms

Students will go directly to the appropriate cloakroom to deposit their outside coat and any other bag apart from their official Academy bag. They can collect their PE kit when necessary.

Cloakroom Maths – Year 7, 9 and 8

Cloakroom Science – Years 10 and 11

Cloakroom VTC – Years 12 and 13

The cloakrooms will be supervised by CCTV and a supervisor, who will also ensure that toilets are kept clean throughout the day.

Lesson Length

Lessons for Years 7 and 8 will be 1hr 30mins duration and 3 hours in Years 9, 10 and 11. Three hours may seem a long time, but the benefits are substantial:

- More time for practical lessons to complete worthwhile work
- Easier for students to understand work because they are not constantly changing
- Less movement around the building and a more orderly environment
- Time for visits and visiting speakers
- A substantial period of time to allow students to undertake training programmes

Each lesson is broken by either Breakfast or Lunch, to give students a break from learning. Educational research proves that longer periods of uninterrupted time allow students to learn more effectively. All Telford & Wrekin schools plan to do this sometime in the future.

Lunchtime

Lunchtimes will be organised around the students' lessons and vary from day-to-day. This will mean that all students will have to stay on the site. The benefits of this are that we can keep interruptions to learning to a minimum, and ensure students have a relaxed break, are safe, well cared for and receive a first class education.

End of the Day

Students will leave lessons at the following times in order to collect items from the cloakrooms and safely leave the site. This does mean that some students will be leaving the site before 4.00pm.

Year 7	3.40pm and 3.00pm on Friday
Year 8	3.40pm and 3.00pm on Friday
Year 9	3.50pm and 3.10pm on Friday
Year 10	3.50pm and 3.10pm on Friday
Year 11	3.50pm and 3.10pm on Friday
Sixth Form – Year 12	4.00pm and 3.20pm on Friday
Sixth Form - Year 13	4.00pm and 3.20pm on Friday

Drop-Off and Pick-Up

The Planning Authority would not allow parents/carers on site to drop-off or pick-up children because of the effects tailbacks would have on traffic flow. We are in full agreement with this, as we take very seriously our responsibility for the safety of the students. We would want to encourage more students to make their own way to school - preferably by walking or using a bike where they can. The Local Authority is reviewing the local footpaths to see where improvements might be needed.

There is no specific provision on the highway for drop-off and pick-up. We therefore encourage you to exercise care and consideration for other road users, our neighbours on Woodside and the Madeley Court Hotel. Please be very mindful of the children's safety if you are a car user.