



# The Astley Cooper School

Aspiration, Determination, Integrity

February 2023

Dear Parent/Carer

Thank you for your support this half term and during the building works. When we return to school on Monday 20 February we will be starting to prepare for the move to the new building. We are on schedule to open the new Sports Facility during the Easter break, more details for this will follow in our Easter update.

During this winter we appreciate that there have been problems with heating in several areas of the school and that the site has been muddy at times. For this reason we have tried to be flexible in applying specific aspects of the uniform policy.

As the new building approaches readiness, and hopefully the weather improves, we wish to re-emphasise the uniform policy. Therefore, from 20 February, any student arriving to school wearing incorrect uniform will be stopped at the gate and asked to return home to change in to the correct uniform. You will be informed by text or phone if your child has been sent home. If you have any questions please contact your child's Head of Year.

Uniform should be worn as per our [uniform policy](#): Trousers must be of a full length, plain black, tailored and without external pockets. Skinny trousers, leggings, jeans, or trousers made of any kind of denim or denim look alike are not permitted. If a belt is required, it must be plain black with a simple buckle. Shoes should be plain and black. Black trainers (such as Nike Air Force) are allowed provided they are completely black with no motifs or decoration. Jewellery must be limited to one small earring in each ear, one small chain / necklace, one watch. No other facial piercings are allowed.

Please support us in ensuring that your child is ready for school each day. They should be appropriately dressed, with the correct equipment for the day; pens, pencils, ruler, rubber, pencil case and a school bag to carry their books and homework. Please check Go 4 Schools to ensure your child knows when they have a PE or Dance lesson, it is essential that they have their correct kit for both Dance and PE. If for any reason your child cannot take part, please send an email to the school or a note with your child on the day.

Can we remind all parents to check whether their child/ren are eligible for free school meals. Please use the following link <https://www.gov.uk/apply-free-school-meals>

I would like to take this opportunity to wish you and your family a restful week.

Yours faithfully

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