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RESPECT

- Instils sense of pride and respect for school identity
- Prepares students for the work place

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EQUITY

- Is accessible for all
- Reduces peer pressure from students not wearing expensive brands

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AMBITION

- Shows students are ready to learn and succeed

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COMMUNITY

- Promotes a sense of belonging in school
- Projects a positive image of the school

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HEALTH

- Is comfortable for all
- Reduces stigma and protects student wellbeing

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Our school values of Respect, Equity, Ambition, Community and Health were the guiding principles for the consultation with our school community, and subsequent revisions to our school uniform for session 2025-26. In addition, there are a number of additional reasons for having a clearly defined dress code which align with our 'Agreed Expectations' of Ready, Respectful and Safe:

- **Ready** - All young people are ready to work and succeed in their lessons. Stigma and potential peer pressure from wearing expensive, designer items is removed.
- **Respectful** - Uniform creates a sense of community and pride in Armadale Academy, both within our school and in the wider community.
- **Safe** - For safety, it is essential that all students can be immediately recognised as being from Armadale Academy. Wearing a school tie or an Armadale Academy top supports this.

Armadale Academy School Uniform - Top Half

- Plain unbranded black jersey (no expensive logos), cardigan or Armadale Academy top (black/purple)
- Black or white shirt (polo shirts are permitted for comfort)
- Armadale Academy tie. **Please note:** if a school tie is not worn, a top with the Armadale Academy logo item **MUST** be worn to ensure student identification and safety
- All outdoor jackets/hoodies/hats/scarves etc should be removed in class
- Blazers are optional for S1-S5
- Braided blazers should be worn in S6 (for equity and the environment we promote preloved blazers)

Armadale Academy School Uniform - Bottom Half

- Plain black skirt or trousers (plain, unbranded thick black leggings; or plain, unbranded black joggers are permitted for comfort. **Please note:** expensive, branded joggers or leggings are not permitted)
- Appropriate footwear for school - Crocs, sliders and similar are not permitted due to safety reasons

Other Information

- In PE, students should dress appropriately for the activity and weather conditions
- No football tops should be worn in PE or elsewhere within the school
- Students should bring a change of clothes and shoes for PE - eg trainers, t-shirt and shorts/leggings etc
- Preloved and new items of uniform and PE kit are available in the Dale Drop Shop when required
- All students receive a tie at the start of S1. Additional ties can be purchased from the school office



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