



Arts & Media School
ISLINGTON

School Rules

2016-2017

The school's website www.artsandmedia.islington.sch.uk provides information about the schools' policies, programmes of studies and important dates.

Last Review Date	September 2016
Next Review Date	September 2017

We are proud of the high standard of pupil behaviour at AMSI. This is based on having firm, clear and fair rules, which we try our best to enforce consistently.

The main rules

Our Behaviour Policy, which can be found on the school website, sets out the details of how we promote good behaviour for the benefit of everyone in school. The basis for all our rules is respect for the safety and learning of everyone. The main rules are these:

- 1. Pupils must not under any circumstances bring dangerous items to school, such as knives, guns, replica guns, illegal drugs or fireworks.**

Having any such item at school is a basis for immediate and permanent exclusion.

2. The following will not be tolerated and may result in exclusion:
 - violent or aggressive behaviour or language, or the threat of violence;
 - sexually inappropriate language or behaviour;
 - foul or abusive language, including racist, sexist or homophobic abuse;
 - disruptive behaviour in class.
3. Bullying of any kind, against anyone at school, is unacceptable and will not be tolerated. School staff will respond quickly and firmly whenever bullying is identified. Pupils are expected to inform staff if they are aware of a bullying problem.
4. Alcohol and tobacco are forbidden. There is no smoking anywhere on school premises.
5. Chewing gum is banned in all parts of the school.
6. Spitting is forbidden. Spitting at another person will result in exclusion.
7. Personal stereos / electronic gadgets and mobile phones are brought into school at pupils' own risk. They may not be used at any time in school and must be kept in a pocket or bag. They are for the journey to and from school.
8. Pupils must wear the correct uniform.

STUDENT EXPECTATIONS

Students are expected to:

- ✓ Follow the school rules at all times.
- ✓ Be polite and respectful.
- ✓ Respect each other's views, race, culture, gender and sexuality.
- ✓ Respect the school buildings and environment.
- ✓ Take responsibility for their personal behaviour.
- ✓ Work hard to improve every day.
- ✓ Be prepared for learning with the correct uniform and equipment.
- ✓ Attend school on time every day.

Students must not:

- ✗ Be rude or defiant to any member of staff.
- ✗ Threaten, bully, fight or be violent or abusive.
- ✗ Bring or use anything dangerous or illegal into school.
- ✗ Damage school property or steal.
- ✗ Bring in valuable items, MP3's, Tablets.
- ✗ Use mobile phones on the school site. Phones must be off and away or they will be confiscated.
- ✗ Be late for lessons or take unnecessary time off school.



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Confiscating items and giving them back

Non-uniform items including jewellery, electronic equipment, non-school clothing which have been confiscated will be given to the Pastoral leader or the administration office, who will lock them away. These will be handed back on:

- First occasion - at the end of the school day.
- Second occasion - at the end of the week.
- Third occasion - at the end of the half-term.

If the parent/carer wishes to get them back sooner they can call in to school to collect them.

Food and Drinks in School

No food or drink is allowed in lessons or in classrooms, corridors or the playground areas. The only exception to this is that students are encouraged to have a bottle of unflavoured water with them for lessons, which they can refill at break and lunchtime. Students should not bring junk food into school. Snacks are available for purchase in the canteen at break time. School lunch with a variety of options is available at lunchtime. Students who bring in healthy snacks of packed lunches must consume these at break time or lunchtime in the canteen area. **Energy drinks should not be brought into school.**

Mobile phones, Mp3 players etc

Students are not allowed mobile phones, mp3 players, headphones, tablets or any other electronic items in school. If students bring these items into school they must remain switched off and out of sight. If they are seen in school, staff will immediately confiscate them, even if they are switched off or not being used. Where there are exceptional medical or family reasons as agreed by the school, students can leave their mobile phones with the Pastoral team and collect it at the end of the day.

Planners

Students should have their Planner with them every day and place them on the desk at the start of every lesson. Students without a Planner will receive a detention from the teacher for not being properly equipped for learning.

Piercings and Jewellery

- Earrings - a small stud may be worn in the ear (not the nose) and larger earrings are not permitted.
- Other facial or body piercings - are not allowed and will be confiscated by the teacher.
- Rings - small rings (maximum two) may be worn on the finger(s) of either hand.
- Chains - one small chain is allowed, worn under the shirt and so out of sight.
- Watches - students are permitted and encouraged to wear a wristwatch.

Trainers

The only time students are allowed to wear trainers is during PE lessons and lunch time. Trainers worn at other times will be confiscated by the member of staff.

Uniform

A student without the correct uniform should have a note from their parent/carer. The student should show this to their Tutor in the morning and if the Tutor accepts the reason, they will add a Uniform Permission Note. If the student is not in proper school uniform and does not have a Uniform Permission Note in lesson or registration they will be sent to the main school office so their parent can be contacted and then sent home immediately to change.

Afterschool Detentions

When student behaviour or attitude falls below the expectations of the school, they may be issued with an afterschool detention. Staff may keep students for up to 15 minutes at the end of school without notifying parents or issue a longer detention with 24hours notice. In addition to this, there are three reasons why a student maybe kept afterschool on the same day for one hour. These are lateness to school, no homework or being sent out of class to the hub. Parents will be informed on the day by telephone or text message.



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LEARNING EXPECTATIONS



Staff

- Meet and greet students at the door at the start of a lesson
- Plan lessons to address the needs of all learners – extend and support
- Mark students' books and homework giving written and oral feedback on how to improve
- To make lessons interesting and engaging
- Acknowledge and model good learning behaviours in and out of lessons
- Have high expectations of all learners



Students

- Arrive on time to lessons showing readiness to learn
- Always contribute actively to learning in lessons; ask questions when unsure
- Always seek ways to improve work and understanding
- Complete all homework and classwork to your best standard
- Demonstrate the cornerstones at all times both in and out of lessons
- To strive to have the highest expectation of myself in all that I do

Rewards and Sanctions

Achievement Points

Achievement points are awarded to students for positive behaviour, effort and achievement both inside and outside the classroom.

Whole School Achievement Point Descriptors:

BRONZE (1 Point)	Community	For making a positive impact within the school community
	Pastoral	For making a considerate contribution to discussions, group work and teamwork
	Academic	For being resilient, responding to feedback by solving problems and quickly improving your work
	Homework	For completing a level of homework, without help, that goes beyond expectations
SILVER (3 Points)	Community	For recognition and participation in good work outside of the school
	Pastoral	For helping to solve a problem and showing others how to improve
	Academic	For being pro-active in improving work and seeking the next step without teacher prompts
	Homework	For finding new resources and using them to make progress with your work
GOLD (5 Points)	Community	For taking actions that impact positively on the reputation of the school
	Pastoral	For taking a lead role in mentoring and/or teaching other members of the school community
	Academic	For seeking more challenging tasks and problems, devising solutions and refiguring your work
	Homework	For working beyond expectation, using extra resources creatively that deepen your understanding of a subject

Students are rewarded in recognition of their achievements when they reach certain thresholds:

Certificate	Awarded By	Total Points	Reward
Governors	Chair of Governors	1000+	Certificate/ Badge/ Governors Prize
Gold	Head Teacher	750	Certificate/Badge/External Prize
Silver	Deputy Head Teacher	500	Certificate/Badge/School prize
Bronze	Head of School	250	Certificate/Badge

NB – Students will only receive award if the target ratio of 10:1 is also achieved.

Behaviour Points

Behaviour points are issued to students when their behaviour, effort or achievement fall below the expectations of the school community both inside and outside the classroom.

Behaviour Point Tariff	Examples of Behaviour	Possible Sanctions
1 Point	Late to school/ class Incorrect Uniform/ No Equipment No Homework Disruption of class	Warnings, removal from class, detention, parents contacted.
2 Points	Refusal to follow instructions Truancy of a class/ detention Graffiti/ Damage to school property	Warnings, removal from class, detention, parents contacted, community service.
3 Points	Sent to the Referral Room Refusal to leave the room Swearing at staff or students Fighting (Including play fighting)	Removal from class, detention, parents contacted, resolve meeting, internal exclusion, behaviour report.
4 Points	Smoking in school or in school uniform Conduct that is dangerous or out of control	Removal from class, detention, parents contacted, resolve meeting, internal exclusion, behaviour report or possible alternative provision.
5 Points	Threatening behaviour towards staff or students Assault on staff or students Possession of a weapon Any matter relating to drugs Possession of fireworks	This school community has zero tolerance with regard to weapons, drugs, violent conduct and fireworks in school. All of these carry the severest of sanctions and are likely to lead to lengthy exclusion or possible permanent exclusion .

Bullying

At Arts and Media School Islington, all forms of bullying are taken extremely seriously.

“Bullying is unwanted, aggressive behaviour among school aged children that involves a real or perceived power imbalance. The behaviour is repeated, or has the potential to be repeated, over time.”

Any type of bullying behaviour, whether verbal, social or physical will be investigated, logged and addressed with appropriate sanctions applied. (See the AMSI Anti-bullying policy for more detail).