

Park Primary School



School Uniform Policy

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Rationale

It is our school policy that all children wear school uniform when attending school and when participating in most school organised events outside of school hours.

School uniform is part of our school ethos and in coming to Park Primary parents agree to support this policy.

Our policy on school uniform is based on the belief that school uniform:

- Promotes a sense of pride in the school
- Engenders a feeling of community
- Is practical and smart
- Prevents distraction in class (as fashion clothes might)
- Makes children feel equal to their peers in terms of their appearance
- Is regarded as suitable for school and good value for money by most parents
- Is designed with health and safety in mind

Uniform

Our school uniform consists of:

Royal blue fleece, sweatshirt or cardigan (with or without school logo)

Grey/black trousers or skirts

White/royal blue shirt/polo shirt

Sensible, flat black shoes, flat black boots as a winter option (these must be changed for shoes or plimsolls inside). PLAIN black trainers are an acceptable alternative. There must be no visible logos.

Summer options

Plain black or grey shorts

Gingham dress blue/white

Sandals and socks (not open toes or flip flops)

Hat to protect from the sun

For PE

Plain black, grey or navy shorts

Plain white t-shirt

Black plimsolls

Trainers and tracksuit bottoms for outside P.E

Sweatshirts and cardigans in royal blue without the logo are widely available and acceptable. Clothing with the school logo on it, book bags, backpacks and PE kits are available for purchase through:

www.myclothing.com

support@myclothing.com

Facebook

0800 069 9949

Swimming

Y3 pupils go swimming and will require appropriate swimming kit and a towel. For boys, swimming trunks not swim shorts and for girls a one piece swimming costume.

Jewellery

Pupils are encouraged not to wear any jewellery to school. The only acceptable items of jewellery are a wristwatch and a single pair of small studs if ears are pierced.

In order to comply with health and safety regulations earrings must be removed by the pupil for PE. Watches must also be removed for PE. They will be collected by the class teacher. The school will not take responsibility for any item of jewellery worn to school and subsequently lost.

Make up

No make-up, should be worn to school. This includes eye shadow, lipstick, nail varnish and false nails.

Hair

We recommend that hair should be neat and tidy and worn with no extremes of colour or style. Long hair should be tied back during the school day and always for PE. Hair accessories (eg headbands, slides, clips) should be small and plain for health and safety reasons.

Role of the Headteacher and Governing Body

- The Headteacher will ensure that pupils comply with the uniform policy as part of the duty to maintain day to day discipline within the school
- The Governing Body will listen to any reasonable complaint from parents or carers concerning uniform, where the Headteacher has not previously been able to resolve this issue. They will handle the concerns with respect, with the aim of working towards a mutually agreed solution.
- The school will follow DfE guidelines relating to school uniform.

Role of Parents/Carers

- Parents/Carers will support the school by ensure their child arrives in school in uniform every day unless there are special circumstances such as a non-uniform day.
- Parents/Carers should raise any complaints about the school uniform by following the school complaints procedure.

Racial Equality and Equal Opportunity

All children have equal access to wearing school uniform. The set uniform respects culture, race, religion, gender, disability and ability. It allows for individual sets of circumstances for all groups and individuals.

The Headteacher and Governing Body of Park Primary School will respect variations to the school uniform if they are directly related to religious or cultural traditions. However, any variation will be dealt with on an individual basis and judgements will remain at the discretion of the Headteacher and Governing Body.

Non-compliance with the School Uniform Policy

The Headteacher will make every attempt to deal with any issues of non-compliance fairly and promptly. This may include:

- Asking pupils or parents to correct the uniform for the following day
- Asking parents to bring correct clothing into school for a child to change into
- Asking parents to take a child home to change into uniform
- Asking a child to change into spare uniform kept by the school

If a child is taken home to change, this is not an exclusion. Parents are expected to return their child to school immediately after their clothes have been changed. Failure to do this would amount to an unauthorised absence.

Exclusion is not normally an appropriate response to breaches of the school uniform policy.