

Great Alne Primary

Aims and objectives

Our policy is based on the notion that a school uniform:

- promotes a sense of pride in the school;
- fosters a feeling of community and belonging;
- is practical and smart;
- makes children feel equal to their peers in terms of appearance;
- sets a high standard of appearance for all, whilst clothing pupils in practical, cost-effective school wear.

The role of parents

We expect all parents to support the school uniform policy; as acknowledge in our home/school agreement. We believe that parents have a duty to send their children to school correctly dressed and well-presented including a suitable hair style; ready for their daily schoolwork. Parents should ensure that their child has the correct uniform, and that it is clean and in good repair.

Parents are also responsible for ensuring their children come to school in a coat suitable for the forecast weather conditions each day. During break times and lunch children will still be going outside even in cold windy conditions and light rain.

If a pupil is not wearing an item of uniform as identified in this policy a letter will be sent home identifying which item is not suitable (Appendix 1). After two letters about the same item in a school year the parents/ carers will be invited to discuss the matter further with the Head Teacher.

There is a separate letter for PE kit (Appendix 2).

The role of governors

The governing body supports the Head Teacher in implementing the school uniform policy. It considers all representations from parents regarding this policy, and liaises with the Head Teacher to ensure that the policy is implemented fairly and with sensitivity.

Governors ensure that the school uniform policy helps children to dress sensibly, in clothing that is hardwearing, safe and practical.

General Guidelines

- 'Extreme' haircuts are **not** permitted in school ('extreme' being any haircut that is considered by the school to be significantly different so as to cause distraction to others, and therefore their learning; and therefore not in keeping with the school's

ethos. Examples of haircuts not permitted include: tram lines or equivalent, shaved sides with longer hair across the centre, use of hair products such as gel. This list is not exhaustive). When joining the school, parents / carers are expected to fully support this policy at all times.

- Long hair should be tied back at all times and short hair in a suitable style for school.

No jewellery, except small, plain studs for pierced ears and wrist watches - both of which must be removed for P.E. (ear studs can be covered with plasters for the first few weeks until they can be safely removed) *No make-up or nail varnish to be worn in school.*

- Children may wear caps or hats to protect themselves from the sun or adverse weather conditions. All headwear must be of plain colour. These items are not to be worn indoors.
- Any request to change uniform on religious grounds can be applied for. All requests made to the Head Teacher.

All children need a clear & labelled water bottle bought into school daily.

PLEASE MAKE SURE ALL ITEMS OF CLOTHING ARE NAMED

Boys

White shirt
School tie
Maroon school v-neck jumper (sweatshirts are not permitted)
Grey shorts or trousers
Grey or black socks
Black School shoes (not trainers)

Girls

White blouse/shirt with school tie
Maroon school v-neck jumper or cardigan (sweatshirts are not permitted)
Grey skirt, pinafore or trousers
Pale-blue check Summer dress
White or grey socks
Grey tights
Sensible, low-heeled black shoes

PE (Uni-sex)

Pale blue school tee-shirt
Maroon shorts
Maroon or navy track suit
Black pumps (KS 1 and 2)
Trainers (KS 2 only)

Other

School baseball cap or School legionnaire-style hat for sun protection (in line with the school's sun protection policy)
A named water bottle must be in school every day

Items embroidered with school logo are available from the School Uniform shop in Alcester and also online from www.myclothing.com

Ties and book-bags are available from the school office.

Fleeces may be used for outerwear but are not to be worn in the classroom.

School Uniform Reminder

Dear Parent,

I am writing to inform you that your child _____ has recently not complied with our school uniform policy. Our policy is based on the notion that a school uniform:

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- fosters a feeling of community and belonging;
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- makes children feel equal to their peers in terms of appearance;
- sets a high standard of appearance for all, whilst clothing pupils in practical, cost-effective school wear.

Listed below is the item of uniform or general guideline which does not comply with our policy. Please can you ensure that this is resolved at the earliest opportunity - within one to five days.

If there are problems resolving the uniform issue or you would like to discuss the matter further then please ask to speak to the Deputy Head or Head Teacher.

Yours Sincerely

Lesley E Hendrie
Head Teacher

Item of uniform/general guideline to be resolved:

- Grey Trousers
- Grey Skirt
- Grey Dress
- Jumper/Cardigan
- White Shirt/blouse
- Socks (White or Grey)
- Shoes (Black)
- Tie

- No make-up to be worn in school (**resolved by the next day**)
- No nail varnish to be worn in school (**resolved by the next day**)
- Long hair to be tied back (**resolved by the next day**)

- Additional comments:

Appendix 2 - PE kit letter to parents

School PE Kit Reminder

Dear Parent,

I am writing to inform you that your child _____ has recently not complied with our school PE Kit guidelines as stated in our school uniform policy. Our policy is based on the notion that a school uniform:

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Listed below is the item of PE kit which does not comply with our policy. Please can you ensure that this is resolved at the earliest opportunity - within one to five days.

If there are problems resolving the PE kit issue or you would like to discuss the matter further then please ask to speak to the Deputy Head or Head Teacher.

Yours Sincerely

Lesley E Hendrie
Head Teacher

Item of PE kit to be resolved:

- Maroon Shorts
- Pale Blue T-shirt
- Plimsolls
- Trainers
- Plain tracksuit
- Additional comments: