

## Green Park School School Uniform Policy

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### **Our Mission**

Green Park aims to provide access to high quality education and learning experiences, both in school and in the community and seeks to maximise each pupil's achievement as part of his or her lifelong learning. It is the school's aim to be a centre of Educational Excellence in the heart of the community.

### **1. Introduction**

**1.1** It is our policy that all children should wear school uniform when attending school. We provide a complete list of the items needed for school uniform in our school prospectus. When participating in a school-organised event outside normal school hours e.g., evening trips it is permissible to wear alternative clothing. Parents will be informed in the trip letter if this is an option.

### **2. Aims and objectives**

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

- promotes a sense of pride in the school.
- engenders a feeling of community and belonging.
- is practical and smart.
- identifies the children with the school.
- is not distracting in class (as fashion clothes might be).
- makes children feel equal to their peers in terms of appearance.
- is regarded as suitable, and good value for money, by most parents.
- has been designed with health and safety in mind.

### 3. List of Items for Uniform

#### School Uniform

All pupils are required to wear a school uniform which consists of:

- A royal Blue sweatshirt, jumper or cardigan- optional during Summer Months
- A red or white Polo shirt or shirt/blouse,
- Grey or dark trousers /skirt
- A blue checked dress if desired

#### PE Kit

Pupils also need a PE kit which consists of

- plain red T-shirt
- black shorts
- PE pumps/trainers

#### Swimming

For swimming sessions pupils require

- trunks/costume
- a towel
- For reasons of hygiene and health and safety, families of those pupils with incontinence needs can order from school 'freestyle' swimming pants for use under costumes or order these directly online from <http://www.incywincy.net>

### 4. Jewellery

- 4.1 On health and safety grounds we do not allow children to wear jewellery in our school. The exceptions to this rule are ear-ring studs in pierced ears. We ask the children either to remove these objects during PE and games, or to cover them with a plaster. Staff are not permitted to remove them.

### 5. Footwear

- 5.1 The school wants all children to grow into healthy adults. We believe that it is dangerous for children to wear shoes with platform soles or high heels in school, so we do not allow this. Shoes should have sensible and secure fastenings to ensure they do not present a tripping hazard, especially at play times.

## 6. The Roles of Parents

- 6.1** We ask all parents who send their children to our school to support the school uniform policy. We believe that parents have a duty to send their children to school correctly dressed and ready for their daily schoolwork. Parents should ensure that their child has the correct uniform, and that it is clean and in good repair.
- 6.2** If any parent would like the school to modify the uniform policy, they should make representation, in the first instance, to the Headteacher. The school welcomes children from all backgrounds and faith communities. If there are serious reasons, for example religious objections, why parents want their child to wear clothes that differ from the school uniform; the school will look sympathetically at such requests. Similarly, should an item of school uniform prove problematic for a pupil, then parents are invited to draw this to the attention of the headteacher.

## 7. The Role of Governors

- 7.1** The governing body supports the headteacher in implementing the school uniform policy. It considers all representations from parents regarding this policy and liaises with the headteacher to ensure that the policy is implemented fairly and with sensitivity.
- 7.2** It is the governors' responsibility to ensure that the school uniform meets all national regulations concerning equal opportunities, and that our school uniform policy is consistent with our policy on equal opportunities.
- 7.3** Governors ensure that the school uniform policy helps children to dress sensibly, in clothing that is hardwearing, safe, and practical.

## 8. Monitoring and Review

- 8.1** When monitoring this policy, through its committee work, the governing body will:
- seek the views of parents, to be sure that they agree with the policy, and support it.
  - consider with the headteacher any requests from parents for individual children to have special dispensations.
  - require the headteacher to report to the governors on the way the policy is being implemented.

## 9. Review of Policy

**This policy will be reviewed by the governing body every three years, or earlier if considered necessary.**