



HENLEY GREEN

Primary School

School Uniform Policy

Introduction

It is our school policy that all children wear school uniform when attending school, or when participating in school-organised events. We ask children to wear their shirts tucked into their skirts, shorts or trousers and to take a pride in their personal appearance. Pride is one of our school Core Values which is reflected in our uniform policy and the sense of belonging it brings.

Items of uniform can be bought with the school logo on from 'Cat Ballou' Uniform Shop (1-3 The Burges, Coventry CV1 1HN) OR from 'Andy Blair School Wear' (88-90 Barker Butts Lane CV6 1DY). Other plain items are easily available at local shops and supermarkets e.g. Asda, Tesco, Sainsbury's & Primark.

A complete list of the items needed for school uniform, including those for P.E. and is included in this policy.

Aims and objectives:

The aims of this policy are to:

- ensure clarity of what can be worn or not at school;
- promote a sense of pride in our school;
- help to create a sense of community and belonging towards the school;
- ensure that our pupils can be clearly identified within our school and on school trips;
- support our commitment to inclusion;
- ensure pupils' uniforms are practical, smart, affordable and are suitable, with health and safety in mind;
- ensure that pupils are dressed smartly.

Our Uniform:

- Green jumper or cardigan, white shirt or polo
- Black or grey trousers/plain jogging bottoms without a logo, shorts or skirt
- Black shoes or black trainers without a logo – no heels
- A green school checked gingham dress can also be worn

Our Uniform for Year 6 (optional)

- Black jumper or cardigan
- School tie

PE Uniform:

- Black Jogging bottoms or shorts
- White T-Shirt
- Black pumps or trainers

Jewellery

For health and safety reasons, we do not allow children to wear jewellery. The exception to this rule are objects of religious significance or stud earrings. Children are required to remove all items of jewellery during PE lessons to prevent them from causing injury. Class teachers will advise children and parents when PE lessons take place. Teachers are not permitted to remove earrings. Make up and nail varnish should not be worn to school unless for an out of school hours function, for example a school disco. Pupils are free to wear a headscarf or other hair coverings for religious reasons.

Footwear

For health and safety reasons, we do not allow pupils to wear shoes with platform soles, or high heels. All pupils are required to wear flat, plain black shoes or trainers without logos. If boots are worn in the colder months these should also be flat and plain black. Flip-flops are not permitted due to health and safety reasons.

Adaptations for Weather

In the cold weather, particularly in the winter months, children are expected to wear coats and warm items such as a hat/ear-muffs, scarf and gloves. Please ensure that all items are clearly named. On very hot days children will not be expected to wear ties and jumpers. Items such as polo-shirts / short-sleeved shirts, shorts and summer dresses are all appropriate in the hot weather.

The Role of Parents

One of the responsibilities of parents is to ensure that their child has the correct uniform and PE kit, and that the child's name is written on all items. If a parent has difficulties for any reason with fulfilling this, they can speak confidentially to any member of staff or the family support team. Parents should be assured that we will do all we can to help. Children who arrive at school wearing non-school uniform or PE clothing will be loaned or given an appropriate item from school where possible. Our school welcomes children from all backgrounds and faith communities. If there are serious reasons, for example on religious grounds, why parents want their child to wear clothes that differ from our school uniform, the school will consider such requests sympathetically. Parents must, in the first instance, contact the Headteacher.

The role of staff

All staff are responsible for maintaining high standards of uniform dress. Where pupils aren't wearing the correct uniform, staff will make discreet and sympathetic enquiries.

The Role of Governors

The governing body supports the School in implementing the school's uniform policy. It considers all representations from parents regarding the uniform policy and liaises with the Headteacher to ensure that the policy is implemented fairly and with sensitivity. It is the governors' responsibility to ensure that the school uniform meets all regulations concerning equal opportunities. Governors ensure that the school uniform policy enables children to dress sensibly, in clothing that is hardwearing, safe and practical.

Special Circumstances

Special dispensation can be requested for temporary exception from the prescribed school uniform or elements of it. This will usually be on medical grounds or for other exceptional circumstances. The Headteacher and/or Deputy Headteacher will have the ultimate decision on granting this.

Special dispensation can also be requested by parents on the grounds of SEND or religious/cultural purposes. The Headteacher will make the ultimate decision on granting this.

Persistent non-wearing of uniform

We would always make contact with families of children who persistently do not wear school uniform to try and ascertain the reason for this. We will deal with each case on a case-by-case basis, but it remains our policy that school uniform should be worn.

Lost Property

Any unidentified items of school uniform will be kept in year groups. Pupils are encouraged to look here to reclaim lost property, on the understanding that the found item will be clearly named. Children can become upset as a result of lost clothing. Please help us to reunite lost items of clothing with their owners by labelling items with your child's name.

Help with providing Uniform

School will hold uniform swap sessions and we will always work sympathetically with families who require support to ensure children come to school in the correct uniform. Uniform swap session dates and times will be sent via our school Newsletter or via text/email. All families can contact our Family Support Team for any help and advice. We also regularly signpost families to where they can access help with obtaining uniform and may approach parents/carers to offer help and advice.

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Signed – Chair of Governors:	Chris Lockwood
Signed – Head Teacher	Rebecca Bond