

Policy for School Uniform and Appearance

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22 nd June 2023	Annually	Summer 2024

The policy is reviewed annually to ensure compliance with current regulations

SCHOOL UNIFORM POLICY

At Oaklands School, all pupils are expected to wear the school uniform. We believe that a school uniform is important because it:

- promotes a sense of belonging to our school
- looks smart and wears well
- encourages a sense of equality and cohesion
- fosters a feeling of pride in our school
- protects pupils from social pressures to dress in a particular way

All pupils are encouraged to maintain a good standard of clean and tidy dress in school. Items of uniform with the school logo are available to buy from the school. An up-to-date price list is obtainable from the school office or can be found on the school website www.oaklandsschool.org

School Governors demonstrate transparency and best value for money when appointing suppliers.

School Uniform

<u>Coat</u>

A suitable coat or jacket for wearing at break/lunchtime during cold, wet weather to be removed when in school

<u>Blazer</u>

Black blazer with school badge



Optional V Neck Jumper Green with school badge



<u>Tie</u> Green and gold narrow stripe



<u>Shirt</u> White long or short sleeve with collar Top button fastened and shirt tucked in



<u>Skirt</u>

Black knee-length - worn with black or white knee-high socks or tights (No tight-fitting skirts or skirts with splits)



Trousers and Shorts

Black formal style - The trousers must be of standard length, without decorations, shorts must be formal

Tight-fitting, cargo, low cut jeans or jean style trousers and sports shorts are unacceptable



Footwear

All black low heeled shoes/pumps, enclosed at the heel and toe. All footwear must be plain black and have no logos.



<u>PE KIT</u>

For health and safety reasons, pupils must be dressed appropriately for physical activity. Therefore, pupils are not permitted to wear jewellery and will be asked to remove any items that pose a health and safety risk to themselves or others.

Indoor T-shirt (green or burgundy) Shorts (black) Trainers - specifically for PE lessons



<u>Outdoor</u> Black jogging bottoms/tracksuit trousers Sweatshirt



Swimming

Full bathing costume or swimming trunks Towel and suitable toiletries, i.e. deodorant



<u>Schoolbag</u>

Pupils should have an appropriately sized bag for carrying a Home/School diary, books, equipment, and lunch/water bottle. A rucksack style bag is recommended.

Parents/Carers are asked to ensure that all uniform and PE kit items are marked with pupils' names and encourage their children to take responsibility for their belongings.

The Governing Body will consider carefully reasonable requests to vary the policy, in particular, to meet the needs of any individual pupil to accommodate their religion or belief, ethnicity, disability or other special considerations.

This policy was updated with regard to the DfE School Uniform guidance document November 2021

The Headteacher reserves the right to make a final and binding decision on any items in this policy (including hairstyles).

Acceptable Uniform

Unless Headteacher authorises change/exception:

Blazer Clip-on tie White-collared shirt Black knee-length skirt Black trousers All black shoes/pumps Plain black tights Black or white socks V neck jumper (optional – black or green and worn under a blazer) Black plain belt (optional) Watch (optional) Stud earrings smaller than 5mm Natural hair colouring Simple hair accessories, i.e. hairband, bobbles, clips

Unacceptable uniform – therefore not permitted

Unless Headteacher authorises change/exception:

Hoodies/Tracksuit Tops Skinny or tapered trousers, leggings or jeans Short skirts above the knee PE Trainers with bold logos or colours Coloured belts Coats/scarves/hats/sunglasses whilst in the school building Noticeable Make-up/Fake tan Rings Bangles, beads, necklaces, chokers and other fashion accessories inc. hair accessories Hoop or diamante earrings –and all other variations All facial piercings, including tongue piercings Naval piercings Unnatural hair colouring Tramlines, hair designs or shaven heads Nail varnish or acrylic/gel nails No false eyelashes