Gorsewood Primary School

Uniform Policy

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Introduction

At Gorsewood Primary School, we believe that school uniform helps create a positive, inclusive, and purposeful learning environment. Our uniform policy is designed to be practical, affordable, and respectful of individual needs and circumstances.

This policy outlines Gorsewood Primary School's approach to school uniform. It details the required uniform, expectations for appearance, and the reasons behind our uniform policy. This policy is designed to be inclusive and fair, taking into account the school's community and financial constraints faced by some families.

Purpose and aims

The purpose of this uniform policy is to:

- Promote a sense of belonging and community, reflecting our value of friendship.
- Support a positive learning environment where all pupils can thrive.
- Ensure pupils are dressed appropriately and safely for school activities.
- Promote equality and reduce social pressures linked to fashion.
- Help pupils be easily identified and represent the school positively.
- Keep costs affordable for families.

Limiting the cost of school uniform

The school will:

- Keep required branded items to a minimum.
- Offer non-branded alternatives wherever possible.
- Provide access to good-quality second-hand uniform.
- Avoid frequent changes to uniform requirements.
- Consider the financial impact of any future changes and seek feedback from families where appropriate

Roles and Responsibilities

Headteacher and Governing Body

The Headteacher is responsible for implementing and reviewing this policy. The Governing Body will ensure the policy is fair, practical, affordable, and compliant with relevant legislation**.**

Staff

Staff will promote and monitor compliance with the policy. Any concerns will be addressed sensitively, particularly where financial hardship may be a factor**.**

Parents and Carers

Parents and carers are expected to ensure that their child wears the correct uniform and PE kit and that all items are:

- Clean
- Clearly labelled

- In good condition

Pupils
Pupils are expected to wear the correct uniform while at school, travelling to and from school, and when representing the school at official events.

Family Support Worker
The Family Support Worker will support families experiencing difficulties in meeting uniform requirements.

School Uniform

Required Uniform
- Grey trousers, shorts, skirt or pinafore dress
- White shirt, blouse or polo shirt
- Royal blue sweatshirt or cardigan (with or without school logo)
- Black flat shoes or black trainers
- Grey or white socks or tights

Optional Items
- Blue and white checked summer dress
- Royal blue school fleece

PE Kit
- Royal blue shorts or navy/black joggers or leggings
- White T-shirt
- Trainers or pumps
- Navy PE hoodie

Appearance
- Long hair should be tied back where appropriate.
- Extreme hairstyles or unnatural colours are not permitted.
- Blue or white hair accessories are preferred.
- Makeup and coloured nail varnish should not be worn.
- Temporary tattoos should not be visible during term time.

Jewellery
Jewellery should not be worn in school except for:
- Small stud earrings
- A plain wristwatch
- Religious or medical jewellery (where the school has been informed)

For health and safety reasons, all jewellery must be removed for PE, including stud earrings.

Purchasing Uniform
Branded items, including sweatshirts, cardigans, fleeces and PE hoodies, are available from the school office.

Non-branded items can be purchased from supermarkets and high street retailers in the appropriate school colours.

Second-Hand Uniform
The school maintains a supply of second-hand uniform, available to families at reduced cost.

Monitoring and Review
This policy will be communicated to all families and published on the school website. The Headteacher will monitor its implementation and the policy will be reviewed every two years, or sooner if required.

Related Policies
- Behaviour Policy
- Anti-Bullying Policy
- Equality Policy
- Safeguarding Policy
- SEND Policy

Legal Framework
This policy has regard to:
- Equality Act 2010
- Human Rights Act 1998
- Education Act 1996

Conclusion
Gorsewood Primary School is committed to maintaining a fair, inclusive, and affordable uniform policy that supports a positive learning environment for all pupils.