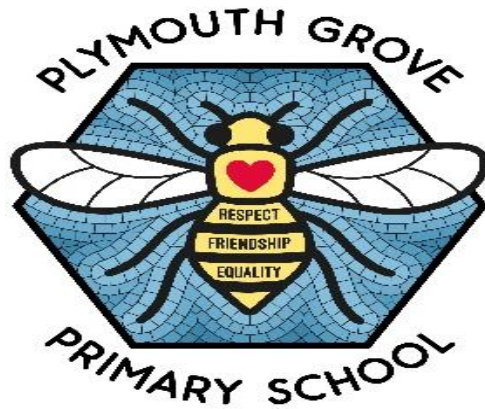




Plymouth Grove Primary School

Uniform Policy

Section 1 Introduction

It is our school policy that all children wear school uniform when attending school, or when participating in school-organised events outside normal school hours. We ask children to wear their shirts tucked into their skirts or trousers and to take a pride in their personal appearance.

Luckys Uniform Shop in Levenshulme stock and sell the following items with our school logo:

- Cardigan and Jumpers £9.99
- school bag with logo £5.00

Our Uniform Policy does not restrict parents/carers to purchasing our logo items. Uniform items are easily available, at very competitive prices, at local shops including supermarkets. A complete list of the items needed for school uniform including those for Physical Education, is printed overleaf.

Section 2 Aims and objectives

Our policy on school uniform is based on the belief that school uniform:

- promotes a sense of pride in our school;
- helps to create a sense of community and belonging towards the school;
- identifies the children with the school;
- supports our commitment to inclusion;
- prevents children from wearing 'fashion clothes' that could be distracting in class;

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- is practical, smart and designed with health and safety in mind;
- is considered good value for money by most parents;

Section 3 Jewellery, Hair Ornaments, Make-up and Nail Varnish

For health and safety reasons we do not allow children to wear jewellery. The exceptions to this rule are ear-ring studs in pierced ears, and small objects of religious significance. Children are required to remove any items during PE lessons to prevent them from causing injury. Please note: Teachers are not permitted to remove earrings. Hair bands, ribbons/bows or 'scrunchies' should be plain and either blue or black. Hair bands should not have large flowers attached. Make up and nail varnish should not be worn to school unless for an out of school hours function, for example a school disco. Extreme hairstyles are not appropriate for school. The use of styling products should be kept to a minimum and children should not have decorative patterns cut into their hair or have hair coloured or dyed.

4 Footwear

For health and safety reasons we do not allow children to wear shoes with platform soles or high heels. All children are required to wear plain black shoes or trainers without logos as stated in the uniform list. If boots are worn these should also be plain black. If boots are large and prevent children from sitting comfortably on the floor they may be asked to change into their PE shoes whilst inside the school building. Football studs are NOT permitted

5 The Role of Parents

We believe that one of the responsibilities of parents is to ensure that their child has the correct uniform and PE kit, and that it is clean, in good repair and that the child's name is written on all items. If a parent has difficulties for any reason with fulfilling this request they are asked to speak confidentially to a senior member of staff to discuss the issues. Parents should be assured that we will do all we can to help. The 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 the school uniform, the school will consider such requests sympathetically. If any parent would like to request a modification to the uniform policy they should, in the first instance, contact the headteacher.

6 The Role of Governors

The governing body supports the headteacher in implementing the school 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.

7 Monitoring and Review

The governing body monitors and reviews the school uniform policy through its committee work by:

- seeking the views of parents, to ensure that they agree with and support the policy;
- considering, with the headteacher, any requests from parents for individual children to have special dispensation with regard to school uniform;

School Uniform List

Our school uniform colour is a combination of navy and grey/black. Most items can be bought from High Street shops. Items marked with a * below, some of which have the school logo on, are sold at Luckys Uniform Shop in Levenshulme.

For girls:

- Grey or black skirt/pinafore dress/shorts/trousers or blue and white checked or striped dresses
- White blouse or polo shirt
- Navy blue sweatshirt* or cardigan, without a hood, either plain or with the Plymouth Grove logo
- Plain white short or knee length socks (not over the knee) or
- black, navy or grey tights/leggings
 - Navy headscarves (if applicable)

Please note skirts should be an appropriate length and of a style which allows girls to sit comfortably on the floor. Tights or leggings may be worn underneath their skirt.

For boys:

- Black/Grey shorts or trousers not jogging bottoms
- White shirt or polo shirt*
- Navy blue sweatshirt, without a hood, either plain or with the Plymouth Grove logo*

Please note that children should not wear scarves inside the school building. Shoes should be flat, black and appropriate for school. If trainers are worn these should be plain without logos. Your child should wear shoes which he or she can manage to do up independently. Please do not send your child to school in shoes which prevent them from running in the playground. If boots are worn these also should be plain black. Children who wear boots that prevent them from sitting comfortably on the floor may be

asked to wear their PE shoes whilst inside the building.

P.E. Kit

Children need a change of clothes and footwear for P.E (for health and hygiene reasons) and a draw-string bag in which to keep the kit at school. PE kit and PE bags may be bought from Luckys Uniform Shop in Levenshulme. All school uniform and P.E. kit **MUST** be named. Children can become upset as a result of lost clothing, please help us by naming everything.

Girls and boys wear:

- black shorts or tracksuit bottoms and a plain white T shirt.
- a pair of plimsolls – velcro fastenings are essential for younger children
 - Football tops or tops with logos are NOT permitted
 - Football studs are also NOT permitted

For health and safety reasons children are not permitted to wear earrings for PE. Your child's teacher will advise you when PE lessons take place so that earrings can be removed.

Clothing requirements for School Swimming are as follows:-

Girls:-

One-piece swimming costume *

A swimming hat is required to be worn if the hair covers the eyes or any airways when wet

A towel

* Please note that in order for your child to benefit from the swimming lessons, appropriate aquatic clothing must be worn. Should your child wish to wear items of clothing that cover up parts of the body, there are specific aquatic clothing designed for this purpose. Cotton leggings are detrimental to teaching and are a risk to health and safety, please make sure the material is a lycra material.

Boys:-

A pair of swimming trunks.

No Bermuda or long shorts below the knee are allowed. - for reasons of safety the swimwear should be sufficiently tight fitting to allow the freedom of body and limb movement without causing unsafe water resistance. Guidance is sought from AfPE (Association for Physical Education) Safe Practice in Physical

Education and Sport and Swim England (National Governing Body for Swimming)

A swimming hat is required to be worn if hair covers the eyes or any airways when wet

A towel

It remains the policy of the School Swimming Programme that **jewellery** of any description should not be worn in the School Swimming lesson. It is important that **earrings** in particular are removed. The only exception to this rule is a medication identity bracelet. "AfPE 2.10.35 – personal effects, such as jewellery, religious artefacts, watches, hair slides and sensory aids including glasses, should always be removed to establish a safe working environment".

Goggles - Parents must produce a letter stating the reason why the pupil is required to wear goggles in the school swimming lesson.

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