School Uniform Policy
Scholar Green Primary School



Confirmation that the in respect of Scholar Green Primary School has been discussed and approved by the Governing Body.

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Statement of Intent

Scholar Green Primary School is committed to promoting equality and value for money and to ensuring that no child is discriminated against due to their religion or belief, economic circumstances or social and cultural background. This policy contains provisions to meet these objectives and has been created with health and safety, value for money and practicality at its heart. Additionally, it is important that our pupils feel a sense of belonging to our school. We believe that wearing a smart and practical uniform allows all children, regardless of their backgrounds, to feel equal to their peers and confident in their appearance. We also believe it is important for children to wear clothing that is conducive to a successful learning environment, including activity-appropriate clothing, such as sports attire.

Roles and Responsibilities

The **Governing Board** is responsible for:

- In consultation with the Head Teacher and school community, establishing a practical and smart school uniform that accurately reflects the school's vision and values.
- Ensuring that equal opportunities are considered regarding the school's uniform and that no person is discriminated against.
- Listening to the opinions and wishes of parents/carers, pupils and the wider school
- community regarding changes to the school's uniform.
- Ensuring that the school's uniform is accessible and affordable.

The **Head Teacher** is responsible for:

- Listening to the opinions and wishes of the school community regarding the school's uniform and making appropriate recommendations to the Governing Board.
- Providing pupils with exemptions as appropriate e.g. for a pupil who has a broken arm and requires a loose-fitting top.

Parents/carers are responsible for:

- Providing their children with the correct school uniform as detailed in this policy.
- Informing the Head Teacher if their child requires a more relaxed uniform policy for a period of time, including why.
- Ensuring that their child's uniform is clean, presentable and the correct size.

Pupils are responsible for:

- Wearing the correct uniform at all times, unless the Head Teacher has granted an exemption.
- Looking after their uniform as appropriate.
- Respecting why a school uniform is important to the school e.g. to develop a sense of
- belonging.

Cost and Availability

In accordance with the School Admissions Code, Scholar Green Primary School ensures that the School Uniform Policy does not discourage parents/carers from applying for a place for their child. The school is committed to meeting the DfE's recommendations on costs and value for money. Every care is taken to ensure that our uniforms are affordable for all current and prospective pupils, and that the best value for money is secured through reputable suppliers. The school does not amend uniform requirements regularly and takes the views of parents/carers and pupils into account when considering changes to school uniforms. Where changes are required, the school ensures that assistance is provided to parents/carers struggling to meet the associated costs. Pupils in receipt of the pupil premium receive an annual uniform grant to help with the cost of uniform to parents. Scholar Green Primary School does not insist on School uniform items with the school logo on. Plain jumpers/t-shirts with no logos are approved and can be purchased cheaply from supermarket shops.

Religious Clothing / Ceremonial Wear

Some religions and beliefs require their members to conform to a specific dress code. The school does not discriminate against any religion or belief; however, the school weighs the needs and rights of individual pupils against the health and safety concerns of the entire school community. Scholar Green Primary School endeavours to allow religious requirements to be met, wherever possible.

Equality

The school is required to ensure that this policy does not discriminate unlawfully. Every step has been taken to ensure that the cost of similar uniform items, for example, trousers versus skirts, are not disproportionate. The school endeavours to ensure that our uniform is as gender neutral and inclusive as possible. We do not insist that children of any sex must wear specific items of clothing.

Our Uniform

The school endeavours to ensure that our uniform is as gender neutral as possible. The uniform is as follows:

- Bottle Green sweatshirt or cardigan (with or without the school logo) - Optional black year 6
- White or green polo shirt (with or without the school logo)
- Grey trousers or shorts (joggers can be worn in Nursery/Reception) – Optional black for year 6
- Grey skirt/pinafore (in summer, a green and white summer dress may be worn) – Optional black for year 6
- Plain black sensible shoes or trainers
- Grey, black or white socks
- Grey or black tights
- Green book bag – Nursery/Reception & KS1 (with or without the school logo)

Open-toed sandals and large, thick boots are not considered suitable footwear for school. High heels are not permitted: sensible shoes or trainers must be worn by both boys and girls. All items of clothing and footwear must be labelled with the pupil's name.

Should parents choose the labelled option, all labelled uniform is ordered online via: https://www.myschoolstyle.com/school/scholargreen/

Jewellery, Hair Ornaments, Make-up and Nail Varnish

For many reasons, including safety, we do not allow children to wear jewellery. The exceptions to this rule are ear-ring studs in pierced ears. Children are required to remove any items during P.E. lessons to prevent them from causing injury. Hair bands, ribbons/bows or 'scrunchies' should be plain and either dark green, grey or black to match our uniform. Hair bands should not have large flowers or other decoration attached. Make up, nail varnish and acrylic nails should not be worn to school. Extreme hairstyles are also not appropriate for school.

Labelling

School staff encourage good organisation of clothing and footwear, for example, designated spaces for children to keep belongings in and checking of labels. However, all pupils' clothing and footwear must be clearly labelled with their name. Clothing and footwear are the responsibility of the pupil and not the school. If a child goes home in another child's clothing by accident, for example, their jumper, parents/carers should send the clothing not belonging to them back into school to their child's class teacher. Any lost clothing is to be taken to the lost property box. All lost property is retained for a term and is disposed of if it is not collected within this time.

Sustainability – Free Uniform Swap

At Scholar Green we promote sustainability and recognise the role that everybody plays in protecting the environment. In the main school entrance there is a uniform swap station for parents to recycle unwanted or outgrown uniform for other pupils within school. This uniform is completely free of charge and is accessible to parents at all times. We encourage parents to try and source their uniforms from the swap station before purchasing new items. We also encourage parents to recycle their unwanted items for others to use. Sizes range from 2-13yrs and all items of uniform /school kit/bags/P.E kit can be found at the station.

Our PE Kit

Children are asked to come into school on the day of their PE lesson wearing their PE kit. They can wear it for the full school day. Parents/carers are responsible for ensuring their child is dressed appropriately for PE. The PE kit is as follows:

- Plain emerald green T-shirt (with or without the school logo)
- Green zipped hoody or sweatshirt or normal school jumper
- Black tracksuit bottoms or leggings
- Black shorts/skort
- Plain, suitable trainers or black pumps Plain jogging bottoms, hoodies/sweatshirts are preferred.

All items of clothing and footwear must be labelled with the pupil's name.