WHOBERLEY HALL
PRIMARY SCHOOL

School Uniform Policy

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Believing Achieving Learning for Life

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 polo-shirts tucked into their skirts, shorts, or trousers and to take a pride in their personal appearance.

School uniform is a way of showing that the children and parents/ carers are Believing, Achieving and Learning for Life, in line with our whole-school ethos. Some items of uniform can be bought with the Whoberley Hall Primary School logo on, whilst other plain 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 P.E. and Outdoor Learning, is included in this policy.

"We believe that the wearing of a school uniform enables students to identify with their school, gives a sense of belonging, is practical and smart, reinforces a positive work ethos and reduces expenditure for parents/carers".

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 with our school.
- Support our commitment to inclusion.
- Prevent pupils from wearing 'fashion clothes' that could be distracting in class.
- Ensure pupils' uniforms are practical, smart, affordable and are suitable, with health and safety in mind.
- Ensure that pupils are dressed smartly.

Jewellery, Hair Ornaments, Make-up, Nail Varnish

For health and safety reasons, we do not allow children to wear jewellery. The exception to this rule are small objects of religious significance and religious headscarves. Children are required to remove any items (including earrings) during PE lessons to prevent them from causing injury. Your child's class teacher will advise you when PE lessons are to take place so earrings can be removed before school. Please note: Teachers are not permitted to remove earrings.

Hair bands, ribbons/bows or 'scrunchies' should be plain and either white, green or black. Hair bands should not have objects attached to them such as flowers. Make up and nail varnish should not be worn to school unless for an out of school hour's function, for example a school disco.

Pupils are free to wear a headscarf at Whoberley Hall Primary School if they wish to. These must however be plain and either white, green or black. Headscarves of the type which drape to shoulder length or just below are acceptable. Longer headscarves are not permitted for safety reasons.

Footwear

For health and safety reasons, we do not allow pupils to wear shoes with platform soles, Heelys, or high heels. All pupils are required to wear flat, plain black shoes without logos. These should be closed in with no toes visible. If boots are worn these should also be flat and plain black. Sandals, Sliders, and flip-flops are not permitted.

Adaptations for Weather

In the cold weather, particularly in the winter months, children are expected to wear coats and are permitted to wear a hat/ear-muffs, scarf and gloves. Please ensure that all items are clearly named. On hot days all children are expected to wear full uniform (although not jumpers). Items such as polo-shirts, shorts and summer dresses are all appropriate in the hot weather.

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 can speak confidentially to a senior member of staff to discuss these issues further. 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 our school uniform, the school will consider such requests sympathetically and individually.

The Role of Staff

Staff should support the Leadership Team in maintaining high standards of uniform dress. They should ensure that they are role models in the wearing of appropriate clothing (including on trips). Where pupils fail to wear the correct uniform, staff should make discreet and sympathetic enquiries. Where pupils are wearing the correct uniform, staff should give positive encouragement. Staff should also be aware that sometimes a pupil's standard of dress may indicate care issues at home. If this is suspected, it should be referred to a Designated Safeguarding Lead (DSL).

The Role of Governors

The governing body supports the Headteacher 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 or refusing this.

Lost Property

Any unidentified items of school uniform will be taken to the school office. Students 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.

PTA Support

Throughout the year our school PTA will hold 'Nearly New' sales where unclaimed school uniform lost property will be sold at a fraction of the price.

School Uniform List

Our school uniform colour is a combination of green, black, grey and white. Most items can be bought from High Street shops. Uniform with logos on can be purchased from 'The Schoolwear Company' https://coventryschoolwear.com/
Our school uniform is gender neutral and consists of the following:

Nursery to Years 5



- Forest green sweatshirts, jumpers, or cardigans- with or without school logo
- White polo shirt- with or without school logo
- Grey/black trousers or skirt
- White, grey, or black socks or tights
- Green Summer dress in Summer term
- Black flat shoes- NO logos and NO trainers- laces for those that can tie and Velcro for those that cannot.

Year 6



- Black sweatshirts, jumpers or cardigans- with or without school logo
- White polo shirt- with or without school logo
- Grey/black trousers or skirt
- White, grey or black socks or tights
- Black flat shoes- NO logos and NO trainers- laces for those that can tie and Velcro for those that cannot.

PE Kit- Only Reception

- Black Shorts
- Colour t-shirt representing your child's house- available from the school (£3 each)



- Black Plimsolls for indoor and trainers for outdoor PE apart from gymnastics which is done in bare feet.

PE Kit- Years 1-6

- Black Shorts
- Colour t-shirt representing your child's house- available from the school (£3 each)
- Black Plimsolls for indoor PE apart from gymnastics which is done in bare feet – Trainers for outdoors PE- Ideally low cost non-branded please.



- Black or grey joggers or leggings for colder weather -NO logos

Learning Outside the Classroom- Forest School

- Whoberley Hall is a Forest school meaning that children go outside and use our school grounds in planned, lesson time activities. Whenever necessary, your child's class teacher may ask you to provide suitable clothing and footwear - typically a waterproof/shower proof coat, some wellies, or old trainers and

Bags

- Forest green book bag- with or without logo

NO other bags to be brought into school with the exception of carrier bags containing kits for clubs, e.g. football boots. I'm afraid that there can be no other exception to this as we have extremely limited space in cloakrooms.