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Grove Park Primary School Uniform Policy

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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. Some items of uniform can be bought from school, whilst others 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 in this document. 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.

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 clothes that could be distracting in class;
- is practical, smart and designed with health and safety in mind;
- is considered good value for money by most parents.

School Uniform

In autumn and winter, the Grove Park School uniform is as follows:

- A school jumper or cardigan which must have the Grove Park logo.
- A plain long sleeved white shirt or polo shirt with a collar (no t-shirts)
- A grey skirt/trousers/pinafore dress
- Grey tights/grey or white socks

In spring and summer, the Grove Park School uniform is as follows:

- A school jumper or cardigan which has the Grove Park logo.
- A short sleeved white shirt or polo shirt with a collar (no t-shirts)

- A grey skirt/grey shorts/a blue gingham summer school dress
- White or grey socks

Please note: All logoed school uniform should be purchased from: <https://www.schooltrends.co.uk/uniform/GroveParkPrimarySchoolW43JN>

Other items of uniform which do not have the school logo can be purchased from any retailer.

Footwear

For health and safety reasons all children are required to wear plain black leather school shoes all year round. If weather conditions require, children may wear wellington boots to school and change their shoes on arrival. Other boots and sandals are not permitted to be worn at school.

P.E. Kit

Children from Year 1 upwards need a change of clothes and footwear for P.E lessons (for health and hygiene reasons) and a drawstring bag in which to keep the kit at school. Grove Park's PE kit includes:

- A blue drawstring Grove Park PE bag
- Black jogging bottoms
- Black shorts
- A plain white t-shirt
- Suitable sports trainers (no plimsolls, converse, high-tops)
- White socks
- A Grove Park PE jumper (hoodie)

All items of PE kit must be named and kept in school. Kits will be sent home regularly to be washed. On PE days, stud earrings should be removed or covered with a plaster. No other jewellery can be worn during PE lessons.

Bags

Children in Early Years or Key Stage One should have a Grove Park book bag (no rucksacks please) in which to keep their homework books, reading books and diaries. There is no need for the children in Key Stage One to bring a pencil case to school.

Children in Key Stage Two should have a Grove Park rucksack in which to keep their belongings. Children in Key Stage Two may bring a pencil case to school.

All bags should be clearly named.

Jewellery, Hair, Make-up and Nail Varnish

For health and safety reasons we do not allow children to wear jewellery. The exceptions to this rule are stud earrings in pierced ears and small items of religious significance. Children are required to remove any jewellery during PE lessons to prevent them from causing injury. If a child is unable to remove their stud earrings, they should be covered with a plaster on PE days. Please note: Teachers are not permitted to remove earrings. If a child wears a Hijab, this should be royal blue or white in colour. Hair accessories should be discreet and only worn if necessary, large bows and flowers are not allowed. Make up and nail varnish should not be worn to school. 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.

Incorrect/Inappropriate Uniform

If a child is considered to be wearing inappropriate or incorrect school uniform, the following process will be followed:

1. The class teacher will speak to the child about their uniform and how it can be corrected.
2. The class teacher will speak to the parents about their child's uniform and how it can be corrected.
3. If changes are not made to the uniform, a member of the leadership team will meet with the parents in order to resolve the situation and find a solution.