

# Policy for School Uniform and Appearance

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The policy is reviewed annually to ensure compliance with current regulations

#### SCHOOL UNIFORM POLICY

At Oaklands School, all pupils are expected to wear the school uniform. We believe that a school uniform is important because it:

- promotes a sense of belonging to our school
- looks smart and wears well
- encourages a sense of equality and cohesion
- fosters a feeling of pride in our school
- protects pupils from social pressures to dress in a particular way

All pupils are encouraged to maintain a good standard of clean and tidy dress in school. Items of uniform with the school logo are available to buy from the school. An up-to-date price list is obtainable from the school office or can be found on the school website www.oaklandsschool.org

School Governors demonstrate transparency and best value for money when appointing suppliers.

# **School Uniform**

#### <u>Coat</u>

A suitable coat or jacket for wearing at break/lunchtime during cold, wet weather to be removed when in school

#### Blazer

Black blazer with school badge



Optional V Neck Jumper Black with school badge



<u>Tie</u> Green and gold narrow stripe



Shirt
White long or short sleeve with collar
Top button fastened and shirt tucked in



<u>Skirt</u> Black knee-length - worn with black or white knee-high socks or tights (No tight-fitting skirts or skirts with splits)





# **Trousers and Shorts**

Black formal style - The trousers must be of standard length, without decorations, shorts must be formal

Tight-fitting, cargo, low cut jeans or jean style trousers and sports shorts are unacceptable



#### Footwear

All black low heeled shoes/pumps, enclosed at the heel and toe.

All footwear must be plain black and have no logos.



# PE KIT

For health and safety reasons, pupils must be dressed appropriately for physical activity. Therefore, pupils are not permitted to wear jewellery and will be asked to remove any items that pose a health and safety risk to themselves or others.

#### <u>Indoor</u>

T-shirt (green or burgundy) Shorts (black) Trainers - specifically for PE lessons







<u>Outdoor</u> Black jogging bottoms/tracksuit trousers Sweatshirt







**Swimming** 

Full bathing costume or swimming trunks Towel and suitable toiletries, i.e. deodorant





# **Schoolbag**

Pupils should have an appropriately sized bag for carrying a Home/School diary, books, equipment, and lunch/water bottle. A rucksack style bag is recommended.

Parents/Carers are asked to ensure that all uniform and PE kit items are marked with pupils' names and encourage their children to take responsibility for their belongings.

The Governing Body will consider carefully reasonable requests to vary the policy, in particular, to meet the needs of any individual pupil to accommodate their religion or belief, ethnicity, disability or other special considerations.

This policy was updated with regard to the DfE School Uniform guidance document November 2021

The Headteacher reserves the right to make a final and binding decision on any items in this policy (including hairstyles).

# **Acceptable Uniform**

Unless Headteacher authorises change/exception:

Blazer

Clip-on tie

White-collared shirt

Black knee-length skirt

Black trousers

All black shoes/pumps

Plain black tights

Black or white socks

V neck jumper (optional – black with the school badge and worn under a blazer)

Black plain belt (optional)

Watch (optional)

Stud earrings smaller than 5mm

Natural hair colouring

Simple hair accessories, i.e. hairband, bobbles, clips

# Unacceptable uniform – therefore not permitted

Unless Headteacher authorises change/exception:

Hoodies/Tracksuit Tops

Skinny or tapered trousers, leggings or jeans

Short skirts above the knee

PE Trainers with bold logos or colours

Coloured belts

Coats/scarves/hats/sunglasses whilst in the school building

Noticeable Make-up/Fake tan

Rings

Bangles, beads, necklaces, chokers and other fashion accessories inc. hair accessories

Hoop or diamante earrings –and all other variations

All facial piercings, including tongue piercings

Naval piercings

Unnatural hair colouring

Tramlines, hair designs or shaven heads

Nail varnish or acrylic/gel nails

No false eyelashes

Please note that if a child or parent/carer refuses to cooperate in such a way that the uniform expectations of this policy are not adhered to, then the school will implement relevant and proportionate consequences, as exlained in the school's Policy for Supporting Pupil Behaviour, that can be found on the school website.