St Gregory's RC Primary School A Voluntary Academy



School Uniform Policy

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School Mission Statement

St Gregory's is a sanctuary of love and hope where greatness grows.

It is our school policy that all children wear school uniform when attending school because it:

- promotes a sense of pride in the school
- engenders a sense of community and belonging towards the school
- is practical and smart
- identifies the children with the school
- prevents children from coming to school in fashion clothes that could be expensive
- makes children feel equal to their peers in terms of appearance
- is regarded as suitable wear for school and good value for money
- is designed with health and safety in mind.

Uniform

	PE
Dark green jumper or cardigan, preferably with St Gregory's logo	Yellow PE t-shirt with St Gregory's logo or plain white t-shirt
Yellow (or white) blouse, shirt or polo shirt	Dark green or black shorts
Green or yellow check dress (summer - optional)	Black pumps
Charcoal grey skirt/pinafore/trousers	Sweatshirt and pants for colder months (optional)
Charcoal grey shorts (summer - optional)	All PE kits should be free from any logo or
Black school shoes	brand name, apart from the school logo

*uniform is compulsory unless stated otherwise

Jewellery

- On health and safety grounds, we do not allow children to wear jewellery in our school, except for small studs and watches.
- If a child is wearing earrings other than studs they will be asked to remove these and they will be taken care of safely until the end of the school day. If the pupil cannot do this, the earrings will be covered with sticky tape.
- Studs will be removed for PE lessons or covered with sticky tape.

Hair and make-up

- The school does not permit children to have extreme¹ haircuts or colouring that could serve as a distraction to other children.
- Long hair (shoulder length or longer) must be tied back for hygiene reasons. If a child's hair is not tied back they will be provided with a bobble by school staff to do this.
- Some hair ornaments may need to be removed for PE lessons on the grounds of health and safety.
- No make-up or nail varnish may be worn during the school day.
- If pupils come to school wearing nail varnish, they will be asked to remove it themselves using nail varnish remover and cotton wool provided by the school.

(^{1.} The Headteacher will determine what is 'extreme')

Written: September 2016 by the Headteacher Reviewed: August 2024 by the Headteacher Approved by Governors: September 2022 All clothing should be clearly labelled with your child's name. This is especially important, as uniform items look similar and can easily be confused for another child's. The school cannot accept responsibility for any lost items.

All shirts should be tucked into trousers/skirts.

A sensible coat must be worn in the winter months/poor weather.

How to order the school uniform

School uniform with logo can be ordered from Ziggy' on Brackley Street, Farnworth. Uniform without the school logo can be purchased from any store (e.g. local supermarkets). Please also check our school website or contact the school office to enquire about purchasing good quality previously worn uniform from our uniform shop.

Role of the parents/carers

- To ensure that their child/children adhere to the school's uniform policy.
- Ensure that they come to school in uniform everyday unless there are special circumstances such as non-uniform days.
- To ensure that all uniform is labelled correctly and clearly.

Role of class teachers and support staff

- To remind children to wear school uniform
- The class teacher will speak to children and/or parents who do not comply with the uniform policy
- If this continually happens they are to be referred to the headteacher.

Role of the headteacher

- The headteacher is to ensure that pupils comply with the uniform policy agreed by the local governing body
- The headteacher has a duty to enforce the school uniform throughout the school community, as part of the duty within maintenance of day to day discipline in the school
- The headteacher will speak to the parents of children who persistently do not wear the correct uniform.

Role of Governors

- To ensure the school follows the DfE guidelines
- To support the headteacher in enforcing the school uniform policy.

Equalities

All children have equal access to wearing school uniform regardless of their culture, race, religion, gender, disability or ability. We ensure that the set uniform respects other policies such as the equalities policies and allows for individual sets of circumstances of all groups and individuals.

Conclusion

A school uniform plays a valuable role in contributing to the ethos of a school and setting an appropriate tone. It helps to instil pride, supports positive behaviour, ensures consistency between pupils and adds to a vibrant atmosphere within school. St Gregory's hopes that school and home can work together to ensure pupils maintain pride in their appearance and asks all parents for their support in implementing the uniform policy.

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