



HOPE VIEW SCHOOL UNIFORM AND APPEARANCE POLICY

POLICY

1. INTRODUCTION

The wearing of school uniform at Hope View School is integral to its ethos of installing pride, discipline and high standards.

2. PRINCIPLES

Our school uniform and appearance policy is based on the principles that school uniform:

- * Promotes a sense of pride in the school.
- * Creates a sense of community and belonging towards the school.
- * Supports positive behaviour and discipline.
- * Is practical and smart.
- * Identifies the pupils with the school.
- * Prevents pupils from coming to school in fashion or 'designer' label clothes that could be distracting in class or create a sense of competition.
- * Makes the pupils feel equal to their peers in terms of appearance and helps nurture cohesion between different groups of pupils.
- * Is regarded as suitable wear for school and good value for money by most parents.
- * Is designed with health and safety in mind.

3. EXPECTATIONS

School Uniform is compulsory for all pupils and must be worn correctly (see Appendix 1) on the way to and from school as well as during school hours. Whenever the school uniform is worn, it must be complete and not mixed with non-uniform clothing.

PROCEDURE

4. NON-COMPLIANCE

We expect all pupils to comply with this uniform policy, which will be monitored daily. Persistent offenders of non-compliance will be dealt with accordingly. They are also likely to have certain school privileges removed. Where a boy is not adhering to the school uniform and appearance policy, staff will be considerate and discreetly try to establish why not. We understand there may be good reasons why a pupil is not attending school in the correct uniform. If a boy is not wearing the correct uniform because their parent/carer is in financial difficulties, the school will be sensitive to the needs of the boy. The school will give parents time to purchase the required items and/or consider whether a local authority clothing grant can be applied for.

Pupils should have a doctor's note if they need to wear alternative footwear for school, due to a medical condition or serious injury. The policy will meet the needs of individual students because of temporary or permanent medical conditions. For example, pupils with some skin conditions or sensory issues may be unable to wear specific fabrics, and students with foot or leg injuries may be unable to wear school shoes. An official medical



certificate will be required for any student requiring long-term dispensation due to medical conditions.

If there are serious reasons, e.g. on religious grounds, why parents want their child to wear clothes that differ from the school uniform, the school will look sympathetically at such requests.

5. PARENTS/CARERS

We believe that parents & carers have a duty to send their children to school correctly dressed and ready for their daily schoolwork. One of the responsibilities of parents & carers is to ensure that their child has the correct uniform and that it is clean and in good repair. If any parent/carer would like the school to modify the uniform policy they should make representation in the first instance to the Head teacher.

6. STAFF

All staff have a responsibility for ensuring that pupils wear correct uniform.

7. PURCHASING

The Hope View School uniform has been sourced for quality, practicality, performance and value, along with the need to make it smart, classic and understated. It is relevant to the age groups from year 6-13, with longevity in mind. Parents and carers can purchase uniform items from the school office.

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Responsible Person: Mrs C Lorne – Headteacher

Links with other Policies:

Rewards and Sanctions Policy

Behaviour and Discipline Policy

Equality and Diversity Policy



APPENDIX 1 SCHOOL UNIFORM AND APPEARANCE

ALL ITEMS OF UNIFORM MUST BE CONVENTIONAL AND FORMAL SCHOOL WEAR MUST NOT INCLUDE FASHION ITEMS.

BLAZER	plain black with breast pocket (available from most school uniform outfitters, Tesco, Asda etc). Blazer badge available from school
TIE	claret with gold stripe – available from school
SHIRT	plain white long sleeved shirt
TROUSERS	plain black; formal style designed for school wear. Black belt.
SHOES	black with no heel
SOCKS	black
BELT	black
OUTER COAT	navy blue or black
SCARF (optional)	navy blue or black

All items of school uniform must be clearly labelled using nametapes

TO CLARIFY WHAT IS ACCEPTABLE UNIFORM, THE FOLLOWING POINTS SHOULD BE NOTED. THESE MAY CHANGE AS FASHIONS CHANGE.

TROUSERS - must be of a formal style suitable for school wear. They must not be fashion items designed for casual wear.

SOCKS – all pupils must wear socks. Trainer socks are not part of the formal uniform and should not be worn

SHOES – must be sensible black shoes suitable for school. Shoes which are backless or have open toes are not allowed, nor are boots. Shoes should not be decorated in any way. Trainers must not be worn in place of shoes with the formal school uniform.

OUTER COAT – this should be a formal navy blue or black coat suitable for school wear. Sweatshirts, jumpers, hooded tops or similar items, which are clearly not intended to be worn as a coat are **not** permitted.

SCARF – football scarves or those depicting writing or logos are **not** allowed.

SCHOOL BAGS – dark colour with a small, appropriate logo only.

ACCEPTABLE HAIR STYLES – hair styles should be tidy and of a conventional nature suitable for a formal school environment. No extreme or ‘cult’ haircuts including sculpting, shaving, cut in designs, mohicans, dreadlocks or braiding are allowed. The maximum hair



length is above the collar and the minimum hair length is a number 2 cut. Hair must be one natural colour.

Parents are strongly advised to seek advice from the school on the acceptability of hairstyles that may be considered 'different' before allowing their son to adopt such a style. School reserves the right to insist on re-styling if it considers the style inappropriate.

JEWELLERY - No jewellery other than a wrist watch may be worn.

Make up is not permitted.

Visible tattoos are not permitted.

PE KIT

SPORTS SHIRT grey school polo shirt with logo – available from school

SWEATSHIRT claret with gold school logo – available from school

TRACKSUIT plain navy or black with no logos

SPORTS SHORTS plain navy with no logos

TRAINERS black trainers

SOCKS white ankle socks and black knee length socks

BAG suitable for carrying sportswear – not a carrier bag

PLEASE ENSURE ALL ITEMS OF SCHOOL UNIFORM AND EQUIPMENT ARE NAMED