



**Godmanchester
Community Academy**

School Uniform Policy - February 2016

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Introduction

It is our school policy that all children wear school uniform when attending school or when participating in a school organised event outside normal school hours (unless otherwise stated). A complete list of acceptable items for uniform can be found in this policy.

Aims and Objectives

Our policy for school uniform is based on the notion that school uniform:

- Promotes a sense of pride in the school
- Provides a sense of community and belonging
- Is practical and smart
- Identifies the children with the school
- Creates peer equality in terms of appearance
- Is designed with Health & Safety in mind

Uniform

All uniform should be named. Lost property will now be collected, any named items will be returned to their owners, and any un-named items will be kept in containers under the archway to the Foundation playground/Year 5 and 6 entrance, accessible from the main playground. Lost property still unclaimed after each half term will be sold or donated.

- School navy blue sweatshirt or cardigan
- School navy blue fleece
- Grey or Black skirts, trousers or pinafores
- Grey or Black knee length shorts
- Blue gingham dresses
- White or navy blue polo shirt
- Sensible plain black shoes – no trainers, high heels, boots or open toe sandals.
- Plain school coloured tights

PE Kit

- House Colour T-shirts
- Navy shorts
- Navy track suit bottoms and sweatshirt for outdoor PE
- Trainers for outdoor games (Laced or Velcro)
- Swimming trunks, not shorts for boys
- One piece swimming suit for girls

- Swimming cap must be worn for lessons

Please refer to PE policy for further guidance

Jewellery & Makeup

On health and safety grounds we do not allow children to wear jewellery in our school. The exceptions to this rule are earring studs in pierced ears and a watch. Children must remove or cover these items during PE and games to prevent them from causing injury.

No makeup or nail varnish should be worn in school.

Extreme hairstyles

The school does not permit children to have extreme haircuts that could serve as a distraction to other children and are not in keeping with the ethos of the school. This includes patterns shaved into the hair, unnaturally dyed/streaked hair, excessive use of hair products and styles such as spikes, tufts and Mohican haircuts. The definition of an extreme hairstyle is at the discretion of the Headteacher/ Head of School.

The role of Parents

We ask all parents who send their children to our school to support the school uniform policy. We believe that parents have a duty to send their children to school dressed correctly and ready for their daily schoolwork. One of the responsibilities of parents is to ensure that their child has the correct uniform and that it is clean and in good repair. If there are serious reasons, for example, 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.

The role of Teachers and Support Staff

All staff will set a good example in terms of dress. This should be determined by smart professional dress and can be varied according to the activities being taught. For example, PE should be taught in appropriate clothing and footwear.

The role of Governors

The Governing Body supports the Headteacher/Head of School in implementing the school uniform policy. It will consider all representations from parents regarding the uniform policy and liaises with the Headteacher/Head of School to ensure that the policy is implemented fairly and with sensitivity. Governors ensure that the school uniform meets regulations concerning equal opportunities. Governors ensure that the school uniform policy helps children to dress sensibly, in clothing that is hardwearing, safe and practical.

The role of the Headteacher/Head of School

The Headteacher/Head of School will ensure that pupils and staff comply with the uniform policy agreed by the Governing Body. The Headteacher/Head of School 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

Policy Details	Date	Signature and Name
Policy approved by Senior Management:	April 2016	Rod Warsap
Policy approved by Senior Governor	May 2016	Roger Coxhead

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