



**GATLEY PRIMARY SCHOOL**

# **SCHOOL UNIFORM POLICY**

This policy outlines Gatley Primary School's expectations regarding the wearing of school uniform by children when attending school, or when participating in a school-organised event outside normal school hours.

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## **1. Introduction**

- 1.1. It is our policy that all children should wear school uniform when attending school, or when participating in a school-organised event outside normal school hours. We provide a complete list of the items needed for school uniform in our school prospectus. The school reviews the policy annually and consults with parents.

## **2. Aims and Objectives**

- 2.1. Our policy is based on the notion that a school uniform:
- promotes a sense of pride in the school
  - engenders a feeling of community and belonging
  - is practical and smart
  - identifies the children with the school
  - is not distracting in class (as fashion clothes might be)
  - makes children feel equal to their peers in terms of appearance
  - is regarded as suitable, and good value for money, by most parents
  - has been designed with health and safety in mind

## **3. Jewellery**

- 3.1. On health and safety grounds, we do not permit children to wear jewellery, including earrings, in our school. The exceptions to this rule are watches, we ask the children to remove during PE / Games and/or physical activities. Fitness activity tracker watches are permitted. This does not include any watch based technology which can record or take pictures, access the internet or have access to games.

## **4. Extreme Haircuts**

- 4.1. The school does not permit children to have haircuts that could serve as a distraction to other children. School will review individual cases with parents / carers.

## **5. Footwear**

- 5.1. The school wants all children to grow into healthy adults. We believe that it is dangerous for children to wear shoes with platform soles or high heels in school, so we do not allow this. Neither do we allow children to wear trainers inside school;

these are appropriate for sport or as leisurewear and may be worn at playtimes/lunchtimes. We require all children to wear the black shoes as described in the uniform list.

## **6. Mobile Phones**

6.1 Mobile phones are not permitted in school; this is part of our safeguarding policy. This was reviewed during a parent consultation on 13 November 2019.

## **7. Purchasing Uniform**

Our branded uniform can be purchased from Monkhouses <https://www.monkhouse.com/catalog/category/view/s/gatley-primary-school-urn-141275/id/5813/> and from Debonair <https://debonairschoolwearwythenshawe.co.uk/category/schools/primary-schools/gatley-primary-school/>

Other aspects of school uniform can be purchased from any supermarket or retail shop. The school also holds a uniform stall at PTA events for unclaimed and second hand uniform.

## **8. Uniform for Nursery Children**

Uniform for our Nursery children is not compulsory. Our Nursery children are seen as part of our school community and therefore are encouraged to wear at least our school jumper.

## **9. The Role of Parents**

- a. 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 correctly dressed and ready for their daily school work. Parents should ensure that their child has the correct uniform, and that it is clean and in good condition.
- b. If any parent would like the school to modify the uniform policy, they should make representation, in the first instance, to the head of school. The school welcomes children from all backgrounds and faith communities. If there are serious reasons (e.g. religious objections), why parents want their child to wear clothes that differ from the school uniform, the school will look sympathetically at such requests. Similarly, should an item of school uniform prove problematic for a pupil with disabilities, then parents are invited to draw this to the attention of the headteacher. Reasonable allowances may be made to support pupils with disabilities. The school will not permit requests that are adjudged by the headteacher to put the health and safety of pupils at risk.

- c. The school periodically consults with parents concerning this policy and gathers their views.

## **10. The Role of Governors**

- a. The governing body supports the head of school in implementing the school uniform policy. It considers all representations from parents regarding this policy, and liaises with the headteacher to ensure that the policy is implemented fairly and with sensitivity.
- b. It is the governors' responsibility to ensure that the school uniform meets all national regulations concerning equal opportunities, and that our school uniform policy is consistent with our policy on equal opportunities.
- c. Governors ensure that the school uniform policy helps children to dress sensibly, in clothing that is hardwearing, safe and practical.

## **11. Monitoring and Review**

- a. When monitoring this policy, through its committee work, the governing body will:
  - consider with the head of school any requests from parents for individual children to have special dispensations; and
  - require the head of school to report to the governors on the way in which the policy is being implemented.
- b. This policy will be reviewed by the governing body every two years, or earlier if considered necessary.

**Appendix A: School Uniform**

<b>Winter Options</b>	Burgundy V neck sweatshirt or cardigan with school logo with white shirt / blouse and school tie (red and grey stripe) or Burgundy round neck sweatshirt with school logo with white polo shirt. Logos required on sweatshirts and cardigans. No logo required on polo shirt when worn under sweater. Grey trousers or grey pinafore / grey skirt Grey socks/tights
<b>Summer Options</b>	White polo shirt with school logo Grey shorts Burgundy gingham check dress/playsuit, white ankle socks
<b>Footwear</b>	Sensible black shoes, suitable for wet weather.  No heels, platforms, trainers or boots should be worn.
<b>Swimming Kit</b>	Swimming trunks (no shorts) or swimming costume and swimming cap. Large towel No goggles (unless prescribed)
<b>PE</b>	White T Shirt Black shorts Trainers Hair tied back Dark tracksuits/leggings
<b>Other Options</b>	Burgundy School Bag (Foundation Stage / KS1) Burgundy School Case (KS2)
<b>Valuables</b>	No jewellery is allowed in school, including earrings. A watch/fitness monitor may be worn so long as it has no smart technologies built in. Please do not bring valuables into school, mobile phones and smart watches are not permitted.

**Note:** Please label all items of uniform clearly with your child's name

