

Orchards Infant School

Uniform Policy

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INTRODUCTION/AIMS

At Orchards Infant and Nursery School our uniform policy reinforces our school's ethos of high expectations. It creates a common identity amongst our pupils, regardless of background and thus acts as a social leveller. It can reduce bullying and peer pressure to wear the latest fashions or other expensive clothes.

Our aim is that the children look smart, wear clothes within our agreed range of colours and are dressed both practically and comfortably. Our policy is based on the belief that a school uniform promotes a sense of pride in the school and a feeling of community and belonging. Our uniform is practical and smart and identifies the children with the school. We want our uniform to set an appropriate tone for education, support inclusion, to be readily available and represent good value for our school community.

UNIFORM LIST

- Grey or Black trousers
- White Polo Shirt
- Grey or Black pinafore dress or skirt
- White Polo shirt
- Grey or Black shorts
- Blue/white check dress
- Navy blue sweatshirt with school logo (sold in school) – Children may also wear non-logo navy blue sweatshirt
- Navy blue cardigan with school logo (sold in school) - Children may also wear non-logo navy blue cardigan
- White polo shirt
- Grey/white socks (tights in winter)
- Navy blue or black shorts for PE
- Navy blue T Shirt for PE (available with school logo - sold in school) – children may also wear a plain navy blue T-Shirt without logo.
- Children may wear plain grey/black/blue track bottoms for PE in the colder months.
- Plimsolls/trainers with elastic fronts or Velcro
- Book bag (sold in school)

PLEASE NAME ALL CLOTHES AND SHOES

Jewellery - Please note that NO jewellery should be worn. Earrings, including sleepers are a source of danger and there have been very serious accidents. No hoops or dangling earrings may be worn and if studs are worn we ask you to accept responsibility for any damage or loss.

West Sussex Safety Guidelines state that: **STUDS DO HAVE TO BE REMOVED FOR PE**

You are asked to check with your child's class teacher which day PE takes place.

Mobile phones are not allowed.

Necklaces and bracelets are not allowed.

Children are discouraged from bringing money or toys to school.

PE uniform is the same all year round with additional layers for colder weather.

Any item of clothing may be purchased from chain stores or supermarkets.

If you wish to buy an item of clothing with our school logo then please contact the school office:
01903700234

Email: office@orchardsinfant.school

SECOND HAND UNIFORM

Second-hand uniforms are available to acquire from the school. Please enquire at the school office.

Frequent changes to our school uniform will be avoided. If and when changes are made, will aim to minimise any financial impact of any change on parents such as allowing pupils to continue to wear the old uniform for a reasonable period.

HAIR AND JEWELLERY

If your child needs to wear any form of jewellery for religious purposes, we ask that you kindly inform the Headteacher.

Complaints and challenges to school uniform policy

Complaints about the school uniform policy should be pursued in accordance with the school's complaints policy.

Richard Hodgkins

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