



School Uniform Policy

for Hertsmere Jewish Primary School

Reviewed by R Alak-Levi

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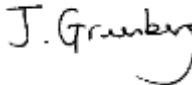
Policy Review

This policy will be reviewed in full by the Governing Body on an annual basis.

The policy was last reviewed and agreed by the Governing Body on March 2024.

It is due for review on March 2025 (up to 12 months from the above date).

Signature  Headteacher Date March 2024

Signature  Chair of Governors Date March 2024

1. Introduction

- 1.1 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. We provide a complete list of the items needed for school uniform in the Parent Handbook and in the Parent Zone of the school's website.

The school welcomes children from all backgrounds, however it is the Jewish ethos of our school that dictates boys have their heads covered with a School kippah whilst on School premises and all boys are expected to wear tzitzit. In the same vein, all girls are expected to wear skirts or dresses of a modest length (no shorter than on the knee) – reflecting the ethos of our school.

2. Aims and Objectives

- 2.1 Our policy on school uniform is based on the notion that school uniform:
- promotes a sense of pride in the school;
 - gives 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 distracting in class;
 - makes children feel equal to their peers in terms of appearance;
 - is regarded as suitable wear for school and good value for money by most parents;
 - is designed with health and safety in mind.

3. Jewellery and Personal Adornment

- 3.1 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 simple wristwatch. We ask children to either remove these objects during PE and games, or cover them with a plaster, to prevent them from causing injury.
- 3.2 Children may not wear make-up or nail varnish in school.

4. Hairstyles

If a pupil has long hair, the hair must be tied back.

5. Footwear

- 5.1 The school wants children to grow into healthy adults. We believe it is dangerous for children to wear shoes that have platform soles or high heels, so we do not allow children to wear such shoes in our school. Additionally open toed sandals can also be dangerous to wear for

school and are not allowed. Neither do we allow children to wear trainers to school; this is because we think that this footwear is appropriate for sport or leisure, but is not in keeping with the smart appearance of a school uniform. We require all children to wear shoes as stated in the uniform list.

6. The Role of Parents

- 6.1 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 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 and that all items of uniform are named.
- 6.2 If any parent would like to discuss the uniform expected, they should make representation, in the first instance, to the Headteacher. If there are serious reasons why parents want their child to wear clothes that differ from the school uniform, the school will look sympathetically at such requests.

7. The Role of Governors

- 7.1 The governing body supports the Headteacher in implementing the school uniform policy. It considers all representations from parents regarding the uniform policy and liaises with the Headteacher to ensure that the policy is implemented fairly and with sensitivity.
- 7.2 It is the governors' responsibility to ensure that the school uniform meets all regulations concerning equal opportunities.
- 7.3 Governors ensure that the school uniform policy helps children to dress sensibly, in clothing that is hardwearing, safe and practical.

8. Monitoring and Review

- 8.1 The governing body monitors and reviews the school uniform policy through its committee work by:
 - listening to the views of parents, governors and school councillors, to ensure that they agree with and support the policy;
 - considering, with the Headteacher, any requests from parents for individual children to have special dispensation with regard to school uniform;
 - requiring the Headteacher to report to the governors on the way the school uniform policy is implemented.

Appendix I

Compulsory School Uniform for Reception – Year 6

Boys

School sweatshirt with embroidered logo
Navy tailored trousers (winter) / navy tailored shorts (summer)
White polo shirt with logo
Regulation school kippah
Tzitzit
Warm, waterproof coat with hood
Baseball cap, with name of school (for summer and school outings)

PE kit: navy shorts, plain white t-shirt, navy jogging bottoms, trainers – colour must be either black or white.

Girls

School sweatshirt or cardigan with embroidered logo
Navy skirt or navy pinafore dress (Winter) / purple gingham drop-waist regulation dress (Summer)
White polo shirt with logo
Warm, waterproof coat with hood
Baseball cap, with name of school (for summer and school outings)

PE kit: navy shorts, plain white t-shirt, navy jogging bottoms, trainers – colour must be either black or white.

Footwear

We expect children to not wear trainers for school, as this footwear is appropriate for sport or leisure only and is not in keeping with the smart appearance of a school uniform. All children are to wear black or navy shoes with laces, buckle or velcro fastening (no trainers) in the winter. They can wear navy or black flat sandals (no trainers) in the summer.

The items above are the only compulsory uniform items. Coats, hats, scarves, school bags, PE bags etc., may be left to individual choice – we value children showing their individuality in this way. Fleece may be worn instead of a coat, but are not to be worn in school.