# BREACHWOOD GREEN SCHOOL

# SCHOOL UNIFORM POLICY

Believe and Achieve

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| **Based on** | School's own model | |

## 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. We provide a complete list of the items needed for school uniform in our school brochure which parents receive when their child starts our school and is also available on the school website.

## Aims and objectives

Our policy on school uniform is based on the notion that school uniform:
• promotes a sense of pride in the school;
• engenders 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.

## 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 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.

## The role of governors

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.

It is the governors' responsibility to ensure that the school uniform meets all regulations concerning equal opportunities.

Governors ensure that the school uniform policy helps children to dress sensibly, in clothing that is hardwearing, safe and practical.

## Meeting the needs of individuals

There may be some circumstance where adaptations to the school uniform policy need to be made in order to comply with the Human Rights Act 1998 and Equality Act 2010. The relevant protected characteristics should be considered:

- sex
- religion or belief
- race (including colour, nationality, ethnic or national origin)
- disability
- gender reassignment

If this is the case, the parents should meet with the Headteacher to discuss the individual circumstances and agree on suitable adaptations, taking into consideration the protected characteristics and health and safety.

## Non-compliance

In the first instance, if a child is not wearing the correct uniform, the class teacher will speak to the parent. If no change is seen, the Headteacher will speak to the parent to explain the

reason for the uniform. If it is deemed that the pupil is not wearing the correct uniform by choice, a consequence will be given. If it is deemed that the pupil is not wearing the correct uniform as a result of a parental decision, the child will not receive a consequence instead the school will continue to address this with the parent.

**Our School Uniform**

Unless agreed otherwise, children attending Breachwood Green should wear clothing in the school colours of white, blues and grey. It is important that children are dressed in clothes that they can easily manage themselves.

| Item of clothing | School Requirements | |
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| **Trousers/shorts:** | **Grey** traditional school wear |  |
| **Dresses:** | **Grey** Pinafore Dress<br><br>White checked summer dress/playsuit |  |
| **Skirts:** | **Grey** traditional school wear |  |
| **Polo Shirt:** | Plain **white** (worn tucked in) |  |
| **Cardigan or Jumper:** | Navy Blue – with school logo | |
| **Socks/tights:** | Plain white, grey or black<br>Ankle or knee length |  |
| **Footwear:** | Plain black school shoes/ankle boots or trainers |  |

| PE KIT | | |
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| **Trousers/Shorts:** | **Navy** joggers or shorts<br>Cycling shorts are permitted but no leggings. |  |
| **T-shirt:** | School logo t-shirt | |
| **Trainers for PE:** | Any trainers suitable for physical activity |  |

Children should wear PE kit to school on their PE days. Children may bring in a navy blue hoodie/sports jacket for wearing during the PE lesson but must wear their school logo jumper/cardigan throughout the day.

**Wet weather:**

In wet weather, wellingtons or other waterproof boots are permitted but please bring school shoes for indoor use.

**Hot weather:**
Caps are encouraged in the summer months. These do not need to be school colours.

**School bag:**
Children in reception through to year 5 are required to use a school bag. It is a year 6 privilege to use their own rucksack, but these should be a suitable size for the small classroom cloakrooms.

**Jewellery:**
Children are encouraged to wear watches as these provide an educational resource, supporting children in learning to the tell the time. We would encourage children to wear analogue watches for this reason. No smart watches or watches with games or cameras are allowed.
A small plain silver/gold stud earring may be worn in each ear, but these **must** be either taken out or taped up for PE.

**Hairstyles:**
Children are asked to wear their hair so that it is kept away from the face. If hair is long enough to be tied back (shoulder length), it must be. Children are not permitted to have patterns shaved into their head. Hair accessories should be practical and must be school colours: white, black or blue.

**Tattoos:**
If children are having temporary tattoos put on at the weekend, we ask that this is either done somewhere on the body that cannot be seen at school or that it is removed in time for school.

**Nail Varnish:**
Nail varnish must be removed for school. If a child does not remove nail varnish on request (overnight) the school will remove it the next day.

**Second Hand Uniform:**
Second hand uniform is available from the school. Please contact the school office.