Whittington Green School

Dream Reach Achieve

Uniform Policy

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Introduction

It is our school policy that all students are required to wear full school uniform on the way to school, during the school day, on the way home from school as well as when participating in a school-organised event outside normal school hours.

Aims and objectives

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

- promotes a sense of pride in the school
- fosters a sense of community and belonging towards the school
- is practical and smart
- identifies the students with the school
- prevents students from coming to school in fashion clothes
- makes students feel equal to their peers in terms of appearance

Our uniform:

Our uniform consists of:

- Black blazer with school badge (available to buy from directly from the school (or Pinders)
- School tie (available to buy from directly from the school or Pinders)
- White shirt/blouse that has a top fastening button
- Black tailored trousers/knee length shorts (no sports shorts) or tailored **knee length** skirt (leggings, denim, elastic/stretch/jersey material skirts/trousers are not acceptable). Trousers must have a zip and a button
- A black jumper (if required). Hoodies are not allowed to be worn in school
- Black school shoes (trainers or canvas shoes are not acceptable)

No non-school logos will be acceptable on any item of clothing. Trainers, jeans, tracksuit bottoms, jogging bottoms, leggings, thigh-length tight skirts and polo shirts are not acceptable in school.

Blazers

Blazers should be worn at all times during lessons unless permission to remove the blazer has been given by a member of staff. Students should not be walking around without their blazer on, if they are warm then they need to remove their school jumper but put their blazer back on.
At break and lunch time blazers should be worn unless taking part in a sporting activity on the school field or tennis courts.
During the warmer summer months a decision will be made daily by SLT as to if blazers should be worn during the school day or not. Students will be informed of the decision during morning registration. Students must wear their blazer to school every day unless told otherwise.

Footwear

The school wants all students to grow into healthy adults. We believe that it is dangerous for students to wear shoes that have platform soles or high heels, so we do not allow students to wear such shoes in school. Neither do we allow students to wear trainers to school; this is because we think that this footwear is appropriate for sport or for leisurewear, but is not in keeping with the smart appearance of a school uniform. We require all students to wear school shoes as stated in the uniform list.

PE kit

Students should wear a school PE kit that consists of a green school PE top and black shorts/leggings/joggers dependent on weather, PE shorts should be a minimum of mid-thigh in length. Trainers can be any colour.
GCSE PE students can continue to wear their normal PE kit or can purchase an optional grey/black GCSE top if they wish to.

Jewellery

Jewellery should be kept to a minimum – one pair of stud earrings, one ring, one bracelet and a watch. Students are not allowed to wear any other facial piercing, body piercing or jewellery for health and safety reasons. Make-up should be minimal and neutral and hair needs be a natural colour. Nails should be short (not past the end of the finger) and nail varnish needs to be clear or nude. False eyelashes should not be worn to school.

Mobile Phones and Headphones:

Our rules on mobile phones and headphones are:

- They can ONLY be seen or used at break and lunch time in designated areas (the Main Hall and outside).
- They must not be used in classrooms, in corridors or between lessons.

If a mobile phone is seen or heard during any banned times or in a banned place then it will be confiscated, put into the school safe and an after school detention issued. For the first offence students will be able to collect their phone from reception at 4:00pm that day. For further offences then we will call home and make arrangements for a parent/carer to collect it.

If students use their phone to contact parents about an incident that has occurred in school without speaking to a member of staff first, they will be expected to hand in their phone at reception at 8.35am and collect it at 3.05pm for two weeks.

Staff duties regarding uniform:

Form tutors will check that correct uniform is being worn at the start of the morning registration.

If there is a problem with the uniform they should try to resolve the matter themselves, if they can't then the student should be sent to Student Support so that they can deal with the issue.

At the start of each lesson, **subject teachers** should check that correct uniform is being worn, as they meet and greet students at their classroom door.
If a student is not in correct uniform – it should have been dealt with by their Form Tutor or their Student support at the start of the school day. The student should have a note in their planner from Student support.

The maintenance of a high standard of school uniform is the responsibility of every member of staff.
It is not a pleasing experience for any teacher to reprimand a student over a "uniform" offence only to be told by the student "Mr/Miss/Ms/Mrs X allows us to wear it". Members of staff who allow students to break school uniform regulations should be aware that they directly increase the difficulties that their colleagues face in enforcing the regulations.

Dealing with incorrect uniform:

If a student arrives to registration and is not in FULL uniform, they MUST be challenged by their form tutor. It may be easy to resolve, their tie may be in their bag, they can remove their earing etc…..
If the issue cannot be resolved by the form tutor then the student should be sent to Student Support where they will try to sort the issue out by:

1. Loaning school items such as trousers/shoes etc
2. Ring home to see if the parent can bring the correct uniform into school
3. Arrange for parent/carers to collect the student to take them home to change

Further clarification on uniform:

Uniform item	Expectation	Clarification
Black blazer with school badge Purchased from school	The blazer should be worn at all times unless students are given permission to remove it by a member of staff. Blazers should be worn with the sleeves rolled down.	Blazers may be only be removed in hot weather at break and lunchtimes when SLT have given the go ahead. However shirts should be fastened up and ties should be worn at all times. Blazers can be removed when taking part in sporting activities on the Tennis Courts or Sports Field.
School Clip on tie Purchased from school	This must be worn at all times unless permission is given by a member of staff to remove it.	
White School Shirts Purchased from anywhere	This should be white with a collar and sleeves. It should have a top button which should be fastened. Shirts should be tucked in at all times so that students look presentable.	Short sleeves shirts are acceptable. Fitted blouses designed to be worn outside trousers or open neck blouses should not be used as school uniform items.
Tailored trousers/shorts Purchased from anywhere	Plain black tailored trousers or knee length shorts	The following are **not** acceptable for school uniform: jeans, lycra, leggings/ or jeggings. Trousers/shorts must have a button and a zip at the front.
Skirt Purchased from anywhere	Straight plain black or pleated knee-length.	Lycra or stretchy skirts are not acceptable.
Jumper - optional Purchased from anywhere	Black jumper. Must be worn under the blazer and not instead of the blazer.	Not with collars, no sweatshirts, no hoodies.
Footwear Purchased from anywhere	Plain all black hard wearing school shoes offering suitable protection in laboratories or workshops.	No sandals, high heels, trainers or sports makes (Nike/Adidas etc), canvas plimsolls. Footwear should be plain without a sports logo.
PE top Purchased from school	Students will wear a green school top with the school logo on. A grey PE top is available for GCSE students to purchase if they wish	School PE tops must be worn for PE lessons.
Black shorts/leggings/joggers Purchased from anywhere	Students can wear black shorts/leggings or joggers for their PE lessons dependent on weather.	Shorts must be a minimum of mid-thigh length.