



Cheetwood Community Primary School

Uniform and Dress Code Policy



Approved by the Governing Body

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Cheetwood Community Primary School believes that uniform plays an important part in supporting the ethos of the school by:

- Promoting a communal identity unique to the school
- Reflecting high standards of appearance thereby promoting a sense of pride in the school community
- Ensuring that pupils of all ethnic groups and backgrounds feel included and welcomed within the school community
- Protecting pupils from social pressure to dress in a particular way
- Promoting cohesion and avoiding differences between groups of pupils

Description of the school uniform

The colour scheme will be bottle green and grey.

Specific clothing will consist of

- 1 Green sweatshirt with school logo; **it is an expectation that every pupil will have at least one sweatshirt showing the school logo to wear during most of the week**, but to keep costs down for parents/carers plain bottle green sweatshirts will also be accepted
- 2 White t-shirt, preferably showing the school logo, or white shirt
- 3 Grey trousers, skirts or pinafores
- 4 Socks can be white, bottle green or grey; tights must also be in line with school colour scheme of bottle green or grey

In summer

- 5 Grey school shorts
- 6 Green t-shirts, preferably showing the school logo
- 7 Green check dresses/culottes

Footwear

- 8 Black shoes for both boys and girls; trainer style shoes are permissible as long as they are totally black with no coloured sole or sports branding
Canvas shoes are not allowed as they are too casual
- 9 Flat closed toe sandals with a back ankle strap are allowed in summer
- 10 Flat dark coloured boots are allowed in winter

Jewellery

- 11 Small plain gold or silver stud earrings are allowed; for safety reasons no looped or dangled earrings
- 12 Necklaces, bracelets and bangles are not allowed unless for religious purposes, which must first be cleared with the headteacher
(see below for further information about the removal of jewellery for PE lessons)

Other forms of dress code

- 13 Any type of make up – lipstick, eye shadow, eye liner, mascara, nail polish and false nails are unacceptable
- 14 Pupils should have appropriate hair styles, dyed hair is not acceptable nor are fancy hair adornments; shapes, logos and lines should not be shaved into hair, hair should be cut appropriately so as to enable the child full and safe access to the entire curriculum, no extreme hair styles are permissible (eg Mohican)
- 15 Headscarves, turbans and top knots for religious purposes should be black or green; peer mediators may wear purple on their duty day

Uniform must be worn properly both on the way to and from school. School uniform should also be worn for any off site visits the pupils are taking and for these occasions the uniform worn must show the school logo.

PE Uniform

Indoors

Plain white t-shirt and black shorts (not denim), bare feet
Close fitting black leggings may be worn

Outdoors

Plain white t-shirt and black shorts (not denim), or track suit bottoms
Trainers

Safety

No jewellery is permitted for PE. Earrings must be removed by the pupil prior to the PE lesson, the school is not responsible for the removal of earrings or their safe keeping. If your child is not able to remove their own earrings s/he must not wear them to school at all on PE days.

Newly pierced ears take a period of up to six weeks to heal before earrings can be removed. Ears should therefore be pierced at the start of the summer holidays to allow sufficient time for earrings to be safely removed.

School does not provide plasters to cover over earrings during PE lessons as this is not enough adequate protection.

For safety reasons long hair should be tied back. Pupils are encouraged to remove headscarves for PE, if this is not possible headscarves need to be fastened securely and tucked in.

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All items of uniform that are worn to school must have the pupil's initial and surname clearly written in the item of clothing. The school is not responsible for any pupil's belongings. In the event of damage or loss, however caused, the school will not recompense pupils or parents/carers.

Where pupils have a temporary or a permanent medical condition (e.g. pupil with a foot or leg injury may be unable to wear school shoes or a pupil who is unable to wear specific fabrics because of a skin condition) parents/carers should contact the school to discuss this further so the uniform policy can be adapted on an individual basis.

The governors recognise the diversity of backgrounds represented at Cheetwood and acknowledge that some pupils may wish to express their religious identity through their clothing. This is encouraged but any such clothing must be in accordance with the school uniform policy.

Uniform may be purchased directly from the main office, if items showing the school logo are required. Plain items eg sweatshirts can be purchased from local supermarkets but must be the same shade of green.

Cost

Should any parent/carer be unable to afford the costs of the uniform (including PE kit) please contact the school so this can be discussed further.

Non-compliance with the school's uniform policy and dress code

Governors attach great importance to the school's uniform for the reasons outlined at the beginning of the policy.

When pupils do not follow the school uniform policy/dress code a letter will be sent home and the pupil will be sanctioned appropriately. A log of non-compliance will be maintained by the headteacher.

When pupils continually do not follow the school uniform policy/dress code their parents/carers will be required to meet with the headteacher to discuss the matter further and to provide an explanation.

The headteacher has the final say in any matters regarding a pupil's presentation and parent/carers interpretation of the school's uniform and dress code.