

Orchard Primary School Uniform Policy

Purpose

This policy sets out the uniform expectations for pupils at Orchard Primary School to promote a sense of pride, belonging, and equality among all pupils. It supports the school's vision and values, including respect, resilience, and independence.

Uniform Expectations

General Uniform

- Tops: Yellow or white polo shirts or shirts; plain or with the school logo.
- Bottoms: Grey or black trousers, skirts, shorts, or pinafores.
- Dresses: Green & white or yellow & white school dresses.
- Outerwear: Green cardigans or sweatshirts with the school logo.
- Year 6 pupils may wear their black leavers hoodie on PE days.

Footwear

- Black sensible school shoes or sturdy black trainers only.
- Trainers with Velcro fastenings are recommended to support independence, especially for changing to/from playtime wellies.

Jewellery, Hair, and Make-up

- Jewellery is limited to ear stude and a watch only.
- No other jewellery or accessories are permitted.

Hair:

- Extreme hair colours are not allowed.
- Hair longer than shoulder length must be tied up with plain accessories.
- Novelty or excessively large hair accessories are not permitted.

Make-up and nails:

- False or gel nails and nail varnish are not allowed.
- Children are not permitted to wear face make-up.

Naming

• All uniform items must be clearly named to prevent loss.

PE Kit

- Footwear: Sturdy trainers or black plimsolls, suitable for all-day wear.
- **Tops:** Reception pupils wear green school logo PE T-shirts; other year groups may wear house-colour T-shirts until replacement is preferred.
- Bottoms: Plain black shorts or joggers with no large logos or words.

- Outerwear: Plain black hoodies or zipped tops without large logos for colder months.
- Tracksuits: Black tracksuit with school logo.
- Jewellery: Earrings must be removable by the pupil; no jewellery is allowed during PE.

OPAL Playtimes

- Pupils must bring wellies to keep at school for OPAL playtimes.
- Waterproof clothing (trousers and rain mac or all-in-one puddle suit) is optional but recommended.

Accessories

- Reading folders or small waterproof bags for reading books, spelling books, and letters home are allowed.
- Pencil cases or personal stationery are not permitted.
- Oversized backpacks are not allowed due to limited cloakroom space.
- Named drinks bottles should be brought daily and can be refilled throughout the day.

Implementation and Compliance

- This policy is designed to be inclusive and considerate of individual needs, in line with the Equality Act 2010.
- Staff will support pupils and families in adhering to the policy and address any concerns with sensitivity.
- The policy will be reviewed regularly with input from staff, pupils, and parents to ensure it remains relevant and effective.