# **Uniform Policy**



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#### Overview

Our Uniform Policy is based on the notion that a uniform:

- Promotes a sense of pride in both the Nursery and School;
- Engenders a sense of community and belonging towards the Nursery and School;
- Is practical and smart;
- Identifies the children with the Nursery and School;
- Builds self-esteem as it makes children feel equal to their peers in terms of appearance;
- Is regarded as suitable wear for the Nursery and School;
- Is designed with health and safety in mind.

## The Role of Parents/Carers:

We ask all parents/carers with children enrolled at Green Ridge Primary Academy to adhere to the uniform policy. We believe that parents/carers have a duty to send their child to school correctly dressed and ready for their daily learning. One of the responsibilities of parents/carers is to ensure that their child has the correct uniform, and that it is clean and of good quality. The school welcomes children from all backgrounds and faith communities, and if there are serious religious grounds to which parents/carers believe their child should wear clothes that differ from the uniform, the school will consider such requests. We encourage parents/carers to contact the school if they are unsure about any aspect of the policy or if they have difficulty abiding by it for any reason.

#### The Role of the School:

We are committed to supporting our families in ensuring children wear the correct uniform to school. If consistently incorrect uniform is worn by a child, with no communication from parents/carers as to why, this will be a point of discussion that is sought by the school.

#### The Role of Governors:

The Governing Body supports the Headteacher in implementing the uniform policy, and it considers all representations from parents/carers regarding the policy and liaises with the Headteacher to ensure that the policy is implemented fairly and with sensitivity. Governors ensure that the policy helps children to dress sensibly, in clothing that is hardwearing, safe and practical.

#### The Uniform

Our Little Ridges nursery have a separate uniform to which they are required to bring the below. Please also ensure that spare clothing is provided.

Little Ridges Uniform		
Branded jumper		
Branded t-shirt		
Jogging bottoms/leggings/short (of your choosing but must be flexible and comfortable)		
Weather appropriate coat		
Sensible shoes – No flip flops, sandals, Crocs or shoes with laces		
Wellies		

School Uniform		
Winter Uniform	Summer Uniform	
White shirt and school tie	White shirt and school tie	
White revered collared blouse/shirt (tie not required)*	White revered collared blouse/shirt (tie not required)*	
Grey trousers, skirt or pinafore dress	Grey trousers, shorts, skirt, pinafore dress or green gingham summer dress	
Branded jumper or cardigan	Branded jumper or cardigan	
Grey or black socks or tights	Grey, black or white socks	
Weather appropriate coat	Sensible shoes – No raised heels, boots or trainers	
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<sup>\*</sup>A revered collared blouse/shirt does not have a top button, which is why a tie is not required. To confirm, if a blouse/shirt has a top button, a tie is mandatory. Please note that collars in which are excessive in size or are too frilly are not appropriate in school.

#### PE Kit

Parents/carers are to ensure that their child is provided with the following items within a named bag for PE lessons. PE kits will remain in school and will be sent home with the children at the end of each half term to enable parents/carers to wash and return the items ahead of the next half term commencing.

- House coloured branded t-shirt (blue, green, red or yellow) Your child's house will be confirmed upon them enrolling at Green Ridge Primary Academy
- Black shorts or jogging bottoms (children can also be provided with a black hoodie/sweatshirt during the winter months)
- Trainers (not plimsols)

#### Hair Styles and Hair Coverings

Our expectations around hairstyles are designed to support a positive atmosphere for learning while respecting individuality and cultural heritage, and we ask that pupils come to school with hairstyles appropriate for a primary school. If you are unsure whether a hairstyle is suitable for school, or if you would like advice, please contact the school in advance.

- Hair should be neat, clean, and suitable for school activities.
- Hair dye in unnatural colours (for example, bright blues, pinks, greens) is not permitted.
- Patterns, words, symbols, or images shaved into hair are not allowed.
- We fully respect and celebrate the diversity of natural hair textures and culturally-significant styles, including locs, braids, twists, cornrows, and natural afros. These are very welcome and are encouraged as part of our inclusive ethos.
- Please ensure that your child's hair is always tied back with hairbands/clips which blend in with the colours of the school uniform (green, grey, black or white).
- We kindly request that children do not wear coloured bows or headbands.
- We ask that any children who wear head coverings (e.g. a hijab) ensure this is plain black in colour.

#### Additional Uniform and Equipment Information

- A water bottle.
- Shinpads and football boots are required for children representing the school during football fixtures or if they attend a football enrichment club.

- Children are not to wear any kind of jewellery in school except a watch should they wish to (excluding smart watches) and/or earrings. However, children with pierced ears should wear simple plain studs, and your child is required to remove them during PE lessons.
- Children in Reception and Key Stage One require a bookbag (not a rucksack).
- Children in Key Stage Two require a rucksack, but the bag must be small enough to fit on their cloakroom peg or in their locker. The bag only needs to hold their pencil case, reading book, water bottle and packed lunch (if applicable), so does not need to be excessive in size.

## Purchasing Uniform

Our branded items can be purchased directly from our dedicated uniform supplier, <u>Bucks Schoolwear Plus</u>. All other items, such as trousers and skirts etc. can be purchased from your desired store. Our PTA also have stock of second-hand uniform which can be purchased via their portal.

## Lost Property

- Unfortunately, things do get lost, but staff always try to return named items to their owners. Please therefore make sure that all items are clearly named/labelled where possible.
- Any items not clearly named are stored on a trolley, which is kept securely in the school office. The trolley is accessible upon request.

## Stationary (Key Stage Two)

To develop the children's independence and organisation skills as they move into Key Stage Two, they are required to bring the following items, to which you may be required to replenish across the academic year.

Pencil case	<ul><li>Soft material</li><li>Small enough to fit flat into an A4 tray</li></ul>
HB pencils	
Colouring pencils	Basic coloured set
Black handwriting pens	No biros, roller-balls or gel pens
Green and blue biros	Standard biros (e.g. Bic or Staedtler)
Black whiteboard pen	
Ruler	Foldable 30cm ruler
Rubber	
Sharpener	Canister type which collects shavings
Glue stick	