



## NIGHTINGALE PRIMARY SCHOOL

### SCHOOL UNIFORM POLICY

#### **Introduction**

It is our school policy that all children wear school uniform when attending school or when participating in a school organised event.

#### **Aims and objectives**

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

- Promotes a sense of pride in the school and supports positive behaviour
- Engenders a sense of community and belonging to the school
- Protects children from social pressures to dress in a particular way
- Supports effective teaching and learning
- Is designed with health and safety in mind

#### **School Uniform**

We are in the process of changing the logo on the school uniform from the old "Heritage Logo" of the Nightingale bird, to the new tree logo that was designed around our motto, "Inspire to Aspire." The tree logo currently appears in signage around the school and on all headed stationery.

The new uniform will not become mandatory until September 2022, although it is available to purchase from June 2020.

The school uniform until 2022 is as follows:

- Jade green sweatshirts or cardigans preferably bearing the school "Heritage Logo" or the new school logo
- Navy blue polo shirts also preferably bearing the school "Heritage Logo" or the new school logo

Items can be purchased from Skoolkit in Basingstoke, Eastleigh or Fareham and online by visiting the Skoolkit website or through myclothing.com (formerly Tesco)

Other items of uniform include:

Boys - grey/black trousers; grey/black shorts; grey/black socks

Girls - grey/black skirt or pinafore; smart grey/black trousers; grey, black or navy tights; grey, black, or white socks; green and white checked summer dresses

The school uniform from September 2022 is as follows;

- Jade green sweatshirts or cardigans with new logo affixed
- Navy blue polo shirts with new logo affixed
- Grey trousers, skirt, pinafore dress or shorts (no jeans, leggings or jogging bottoms)
- Green and white check dress for summer
- Grey or white socks or grey coloured tights

## **Footwear**

Children must wear sensible black shoes which need to be flat and suitable for use on the field or playground. In the summer, sandals are permitted.

Trainers, boots, Crocs, flip flops, Heelys and high heels are not permitted.

## **Sports Wear**

PE is a mandatory curriculum subject and all children are expected to participate unless there is a medical reason for not doing so. Children must change their clothes for PE and games; this includes changing tights for socks. The games kit is outlined below and should be kept in a drawstring bag marked with your child's name.

- Plain white t-shirt
- Black shorts
- Black jogging bottoms for outdoor winter PE
- Black sweatshirt for outdoor PE (a different sweatshirt from ordinary uniform)
- Trainers or plimsolls

During the warmer weather children are expected to participate in swimming lessons. Swimming kit should consist of:

- 1-piece swimming costume or swimming trunks
- Swimming hat and towel

## **Jewellery/accessories**

Children are permitted to wear one pair of stud earrings, a sensible wrist watch and small objects of religious significance only.

Other items of jewellery are not allowed as they can be dangerous both to the wearer and others. Children will be asked to remove all jewellery before participating in PE or swimming. These should be stored in their school bag for safe keeping and the school accept no responsibility for lost items of jewellery. If jewellery can't be removed due to cultural practice or newly pierced ears, the risk of injury could be reduced by:

- Studs being secured by the use of Micropore tape

If it is not possible to remove the jewellery or to reduce the risk to the wearer or others, the child must sit out and participate in the lesson in a non-active capacity, e.g. observing, evaluating, responding to questions etc.

**Please note that all jewellery MUST be removed before swimming.**

All children, girls and boys, are requested to have their hair tied back when it is long enough to do so. This is for health and safety reasons and to help prevent the spread of head lice. Hair must be secured with sensible hairclips/hairbands.

All long hair **MUST** be tied back for PE and cookery.

Nail varnish and makeup is not permitted.

## **The role of parents/carers**

We ask all parents and carers who send their children to our school to support the school uniform policy and ensure that their child has the correct uniform and footwear.

Any child not wearing the correct uniform may be asked to change into spare uniform from our collection. Children that are wearing inappropriate footwear will be sent to the office and asked to change into a pair of black plimsolls. Individual letters will be sent to parents/carers reminding them of our uniform policy.

Parents or carers that are having difficulties or who are unsure about a particular item of clothing or footwear should contact the Head Teacher or the Welfare Manager, who will deal with their enquiry in the strictest confidence.

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**Date of Next Review:** September 2023