



GREENWOOD SCHOOL

*Every Interaction is a learning experience,
and every learning experience must
be an opportunity for progress.*

Uniform Policy

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1. Aims and expectations of this policy

This policy sets out Greenwood School's expectations regarding pupil uniform and explains the reasons behind these expectations to parents and carers.

Our aims are to:

- Promote a sense of belonging by helping all pupils feel part of the Greenwood School community.
- Prepare pupils for future expectations by developing an understanding of appropriate dress codes, supporting successful reintegration into mainstream education and preparing pupils for the expectations of the workplace.
- Ensure fairness and inclusion by taking account of pupils' individual needs while maintaining consistent and reasonable uniform standards.
- Minimise financial pressures on families by ensuring that uniform requirements are affordable and do not create barriers to participation or disadvantage any pupil.
- Prioritise health and safety by ensuring that all uniform requirements are appropriate and meet relevant health and safety considerations.
- Provide clear guidance on uniform concerns by explaining how instances of incorrect uniform will be addressed in a supportive and consistent manner, supporting pupils and their families understand and meet the school's expectations.

2. Uniform Expectations

Uniform at Greenwood School is as follows:

- Black school trousers, shorts or a skirt (All shorts must be loose, skirts and shorts should be appropriate in length)
- White or Black T-shirt with Greenwood Logo (all students provided with 2 in their choice of colour at induction)
- Black Jumper with Greenwood Logo (all students provided with 2 at induction)
- Dark coloured closed in shoes or trainers

Prohibited Items:

- All types of hat or balaclavas
- Steel Toe Capped Boots
- Coats, Jackets and Body Warmers
- Sleepwear, loungewear and leggings
- Large rings
- Large hoop earrings

- Ugg boots, slippers, crocs, sliders and any other soft or open footwear

The chest and stomach areas must be covered, all trousers, shorts and skirts must be an appropriate length.

Equitable Expectations

We understand that pupils may have different needs and preferences when it comes to school uniform, and we aim to ensure that our approach is fair, inclusive and flexible. Some pupils may experience sensitivities to particular fabrics, textures or materials. Where this is the case, families may choose suitable clothing that accommodates the pupil's needs, provided it continues to meet the school's uniform requirements. To support this, the school can provide an iron-on logo for families to apply to an appropriate item of clothing, helping to ensure that uniform expectations are maintained while individual needs are considered.

3. Managing incorrect uniform

On arrival to school, staff will check whether pupils' uniform is correct. If uniform is not correct, pupils will not be allowed through into the main school area until they are wearing the correct uniform.

Where incorrect uniform breaches health and safety pupils cannot be permitted on site.

Where uniform is noted to be inappropriate e.g. cropped tops, shorts of an inappropriate length, pupils will be expected to change.

The following support will be put in place to enable pupils to meet our expectations:

- Pupils will always be offered items to change into.
- Pupils may be offered to return home to change - in agreement with parents/carers.
- In specific cases, pupils may be supported to purchase correct uniform items.

If pupils are permitted to return home to change and choose not to return to school their absence will be marked as unauthorised.

We would encourage parents to let us know where instances arise where pupils are unable to wear correct uniform so that we can identify the best way to manage this. Support is always available in instances where families may have issues with purchasing uniform.

4. Working with families

We are mindful of the cost implications and barriers that can arise from school uniform. With this in mind our uniform is intentionally flexible in order to enable pupils/parents/carers to acquire uniform which meets the principles of our uniform policy. To support this, all pupils are provided with a set of school issued t-shirts (x 2) and jumpers (x 2) at induction; there is no charge for these.

We never want uniform to be a barrier and know that sometimes issues arise. Where there are legitimate factors that prevent pupils from wearing correct uniform, we will always look for ways to support pupils and families with this. We ask that parents/carers work with us and make contact as soon as possible where there is an issue with uniform.

5. Complaints

Complaints regarding decision making around uniform should be submitted in accordance with the school's complaints policy.

In the first instance, we would hope to be able to resolve any issues outside of this process and are committed to supporting families to meet these expectations.

6. Useful Documents

Appendix A: School Uniform Poster

Appendix B: Photographs of examples of school uniform

OUR DRESS CODE

Greenwood T-shirt in Black or White

Black Greenwood Jumper

Dark Coloured, Closed In Shoes or Trainers

Plain Dark Trousers, Loose Shorts or Skirts

Shorts and skirts must be an appropriate length.

Why?

Wearing a school uniform helps prepare students for life after school by teaching them to dress appropriately, follow expectations, and present themselves professionally – skills that are important in many workplaces.

Skirts, shorts and dresses must be a suitable length for a school and working environment.

They must not be skin tight, such as gym shorts.

The stomach and chest area must be covered at all times

Outdoor Coats or Jackets

Sliders, sandals, Uggs, Crocs, slippers and other open/soft footwear

Steel Toe Capped Boots

Sleepwear, Loungewear or leggings

Large rings and large hoop earrings

All hats

If you do not arrive to school in appropriate clothing, you will be given uniform to wear and return. You will not be allowed into school until you are wearing the correct uniform.

Appendix B: Photographs of examples of school uniform

