

	BICESTER LEARNING ACADEMY TRUST <u>UNIFORM POLICY</u>			Written by R Hiscock – Assistant Headteacher (TCS) C Roberts – Assistant Headteacher (TCS) I Elkington – Headteacher (GFPS)
	Applicable to: ALL STAFF & STUDENTS/ PUPILS	<u>Accountable Officers:</u> <u>Headteachers:-</u> B J Baxter (TCS) I Elkington (GFPS)	<u>Date</u> <u>Adopted</u> Spring Term 2017	<u>Date to be Reviewed</u> Spring Term 2019 (Every 2 years)

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AIMS OF THE POLICY

The aims of this policy are to encourage:

- Pupils/students, parents and the community to identify with the school;
- Pupils/students to understand the concept of appropriate shared identity;
- A sense of pride in pupils/students belonging to the school community;
- An understanding that appropriate clothing is a 'life skill';
- A school population respected for their tidy and appropriate dress.

OBJECTIVES OF THE POLICY

The objectives of the policy are to ensure that:

- All pupils/students are smart in appearance on an everyday basis;
- The uniform presents no health and safety hazard;
- Pupils/students and parents understand what form the uniform takes;
- Staff know what is acceptable and expected of all pupils/students;
- There is a framework for uniform that all school members understand;
- Appropriate sanctions are in place to help guarantee the uniform is worn appropriately.

PARENTS' SUPPORT

Parents are asked to support the school's Uniform Policy by:

- signing the Home School Agreement;
- doing their best to provide the correct uniform and ensure their child/children wear it;
- providing a note in the event of a temporary problem;
- naming all items.

Appendix 1

The Cooper School

The daily school uniform is designed and set in place to ensure that the uniform:

- Presents no health and safety hazard;
- Is smart and unpretentious;
- Is easily obtainable and reasonably priced;
- Is simple, straightforward and easy to wear;
- Is easy to enforce.

DAILY UNIFORM

Students should choose from the following list of approved uniform items:-

- Black blazer with school badge on top pocket
- Plain white reverse collared school blouse or plain white collared school shirt with school tie
- Plain black V necked jumper (no cardigans permitted)
- Plain black skirt with pleats **or** tailored black trousers – full length
- Plain black socks **or** plain black tights
- Plain black shoes with heel maximum of 2 inches/5 centimetres

PHYSICAL EDUCATION UNIFORM

The following comprises the normal wear for students during Physical Education lessons:

KEY STAGE 3 (Years 7-9)

Outdoor kit:

- Navy blue reversible multisport top or navy blue micro fleece with school logo
- Navy blue shorts with school logo
- Navy blue Cooper School socks
- Studded footwear
- Mouthguard and shin guards for football, hockey and rugby

Indoor kit:

- Navy polo shirt with school logo
- Navy blue shorts with school logo
- White ankle socks
- Clean trainers

Alternatively, a plain navy blue polo shirt, plain blue navy rugby shirt, plain navy blue shorts and plain navy blue long socks which are available from any high

street store may be worn.

KEY STAGE 4 (Years 10 & 11)

The Key Stage 4 PE kit is as above but with the following shirt to replace the navy blue polo shirt:

- GCSE PE – Red Polo shirt with school logo
- BTEC Sport - Navy blue Polo shirt with school logo
- Navy/White Training top with school logo (optional)

A plain red (for GCSE PE) or navy blue (for BTEC Sport) polo shirt may be worn as an alternative. These can be purchased from any high street store.

Team football shirts are NOT acceptable.

DRESS CODE

The following comprises the normal standard for all students in Years 7 to 11; it is non-negotiable:

- Blazers to be worn at all times except by discretion of teacher i.e. during practical lessons;
- Shirts properly tucked in;
- Shirt collars buttoned up;
- Black V neck jumper to be worn at all times except by discretion of teacher;
- Tie worn the correct way around and properly knotted;
- Skirts should be of a reasonable length (4 inches/10 cm to the ground when kneeling and no more than 4 inches/10 cm below the knee) **Mini or maxi skirts are not allowed;**
- Trousers **must** be tailored, **no jeans, no denims, no cords, no large pockets on legs of trousers, no leggings, no jeggings;**
- Trousers **must** be worn around the waist;
- Shoes must be low heeled: **no sling backs, no backless or open toed shoes are allowed;**
- No boots of any kind, unless in inclement weather;
- **No training shoes, plimsolls or canvas shoes of any kind or colour are allowed as part of school uniform.** Trainers are not to be worn around the main school site except for PE lessons but will be allowed at lunchtime when playing football etc on back field;
- Outdoor coats should not be worn in class, **no hoodies** of any kind, **no denim material, no zip up sweatshirts.**

JEWELLERY, MAKE-UP and HAIR COLOUR

- Hair should be a natural hair colour;
- Students with pierced ears may wear up to 2 small studs per ear, no more than 5mm in diameter. (These will need to be removed for PE);
- A wrist watch may be worn but **no other jewellery or piercings are permitted (this includes nose, eyebrow, tongue or**

other noticeable piercing);

- No make-up of any kind in Years 7, 8, 9. Discreet make-up allowed in Years 10 & 11;
- Jewellery, including ear jewellery of any description, must not be worn during PE lessons in line with Health and Safety legislation and guidance from Oxfordshire Local Authority;
- **Any visible body-piercing must be removed on request.** As most piercings often require a period with a small sleeper in place, the school recommend that piercings are only carried out during the longer holiday periods.

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SUPPLIERS

All uniform and PE kit orders can be placed directly with The Cooper School's online supplier, Sportswear International.

Samples of school uniform are held in the school so that sizes can be checked.

You can find out more about uniform orders by visiting our school website www.cooper.oxon.sch.uk and clicking on the link which will take you to our uniform supplier's website (www.swi.co.uk). You will need to register (once only) and then you will be able to place orders online.

Alternatively, uniform may be purchased from any high street store and the school badge is available for sale from the The Cooper School Finance Office to be sewn onto a plain black blazer.

TIES AND BADGES

School ties are available to purchase from our online supplier but a small stock of ties and school badges are also held in school. Please enquire at Reception about this.

Dress Code for Post 16 Studies

Students in Years 12 and 13 have the right to wear their own clothes in a responsible way that is appropriate for the school environment.

Appendix 2

Glory Farm Primary School

School Uniform: Winter

- Plain navy blue or grey skirt, school trousers or pinafore dress
- Glory Farm School polo shirt in red or navy or a plain white polo shirt / school blouse or shirt
- Glory Farm School sweatshirt or plain navy blue or red jumper or cardigan (no hoodies)

School Uniform: Summer

As per Winter uniform or

- Navy or red gingham check school dress or shorts (not sports shorts or trousers)
- Navy or grey school shorts (not sport shorts or trousers)
- Glory Farm School polo shirt in red or navy or plain white polo shirt or short sleeved school shirt.

School Uniform: PE

- White t shirt or polo shirt
- Black or navy shorts
- Black or navy tracksuit bottoms- for outdoor winter games
- Appropriately fitting trainers

Suppliers:

Uniform, book bags and PE bags can be purchased from Reception.

A current Price List may be found on the School's Website

<http://gloryfarmschool.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2015/05/UNIFORM-PRICE-LIST-2016.pdf>

Both Tesco and PMG School wear also offer an online service for Glory Farm School clothing. Items can be bought with or without the school logo.

To visit the Glory Farm Primary School page at PMG Schoolwear

http://www.pmgschoolwear.co.uk/advanced_search.php?skl_id=38982&pager=view_all

And Tesco: <http://www.clothingattesco.com/back-to-school/icat/catgbacktoschool/>

Shoes and Footwear

Smart black shoes are to be worn to school, with the exception in the Foundation Stage where children are required to wear plimsolls as their indoor footwear. Fashion shoes, heeled shoes and flip flops are not suitable for running about at break times or for climbing on the adventure play equipment.

PE and Games Kit

(See above) Team/logo football kits are not permitted.

Swimming:

- Appropriate swimwear should be worn;
- Bikinis and swimming shorts are not suitable for children learning to swim;
- A towel and swimming hat should also be brought to school in a drawstring bag;
- For health and safety reasons the wearing of jewellery is forbidden and it should be removed for swimming. If children have newly pierced ears they should cover the studs with elastoplast dressings, provided from home.
- Goggles are permitted with signed parental permission. Pupils are responsible for the fitting of their own goggles.
- Swimming hats can be purchased from the school office.

Hair:

Children with long hair must tie their hair back in a pony-tail or plaits etc. This is to prevent hair from being a distraction and to help prevent the spread of head lice.

Sun Protection:

In hot weather please put sun cream on your child before they come to school. We are not allowed to apply sun cream to them on your behalf.

Art and DT:

When children are concentrating on their work of art they do not always think about where the glue or paint may end up!

Please provide your child with an apron, oversized t-shirt or an adult's old shirt to use when doing art projects.

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