



Buckingham Park

Church of England Primary School

Title: Uniform Policy

1 Introduction

- 1.1 Buckingham Park Church of England Combined School is a Voluntary Aided School serving the whole community. We aim to provide the highest quality all round education, for each and every child, in partnership with parents, within the context of a Christian community. In short, 'Excellence, through God who strengthens us'.
- 1.2 It is our school policy that all children wear school uniform when attending school, or when participating in a school-organised event outside normal school hours. We provide a complete list of the items needed for school uniform in our school prospectus and a list is supplied as an appendix to this policy.

2 Aims and objectives

- 2.1 Our policy on school uniform is based on the notion that school uniform:
- promotes a sense of pride in the school;
 - engenders a sense of community and belonging towards the school;
 - is practical and smart;
 - identifies the children with the school;
 - prevents children from coming to school in fashion clothes that could be distracting in class;
 - makes children feel equal to their peers in terms of appearance;
 - is regarded as suitable wear for school and good value for money by most parents;
 - is designed with health and safety in mind.

3 Jewellery

- 3.1 On health and safety grounds we do not allow children to wear jewellery in our school. No exception will be made for recently pierced ears. A watch may be worn.

4 Hair

- 4.1 Hair should be neatly presented. Long hair should be tied back with a simple bobble, scrunchy or alic band in school colours (navy blue or jade green).
- 4.2 Hair should be worn in a style appropriate for the varied activities of the school day and colours should be avoided.

5 Footwear

5.1 We believe that it is dangerous for children to wear shoes that are 'slip-on' or that have platform soles, high heels or open toes, so we do not allow children to wear such shoes in our school. Neither do we allow children to wear trainers to school; this is because we think that this footwear is appropriate for sport or for leisurewear, but is not in keeping with the smart appearance of a school uniform. We require all children to wear shoes as stated in the uniform list.

6 The role of parents

6.1 We ask all parents who send their children to our school to support the school uniform policy. We believe that parents have a duty to send their children to school correctly dressed and ready for their daily schoolwork. One of the responsibilities of parents is to ensure that their child has the correct uniform, and that it is clean, in good repair and clearly named.

6.2 If any parent would like the school to modify the uniform policy, they should make representation, in the first instance, to the headteacher. The school welcomes children from all backgrounds and faith communities. If there are serious reasons, for example on religious grounds, why parents want their child to wear clothes that differ from the school uniform, the school will look thoughtfully at such requests.

7 The role of governors

7.1 The governing body supports the headteacher in implementing the school uniform policy. It considers all representations from parents regarding the uniform policy and liaises with the headteacher to ensure that the policy is implemented fairly and with sensitivity.

7.2 It is the governors' responsibility to ensure that the school uniform meets all regulations concerning equal opportunities.

7.3 Governors ensure that the school uniform policy helps children to dress sensibly, in clothing that is hardwearing, safe and practical.

8 Monitoring and review

8.1 The governing body monitors and reviews the school uniform policy by:

- seeking the views of parents, to ensure that they agree with and support the policy;
- considering, with the headteacher, any requests from parents for individual children to have special dispensation with regard to school uniform;
- requiring the headteacher to report to the governors on the way the school uniform policy is implemented.

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Uniform List

Uniform items

- Traditional, grey school skirt, trousers or shorts
- Navy blue polo shirt with school logo*
- Jade Green sweatshirt or cardigan with school logo*
- Grey socks or tights
- Black school style shoes (strictly no trainers)
- Baseball cap or sun hat (available with school logo)
- In the summer term, girls may wear a one piece navy and white gingham dress

P.E. and Games

- White T-shirt with school logo*
- Navy blue shorts
- Traditional black plimsolls
- Navy blue track suit (optional, but recommended for winter PE lessons)
- Drawstring bag for PE kit (available with school logo)

Other items

- Jade Green or Navy Blue Book bag (available with school logo)
- A clear, non-spill water bottle
- Navy Blue zipped reversible fleece coat with school logo* or a dark coloured school coat

Jewellery is unsuitable for school wear as it is easily lost or damaged and can cause injury to wearers and others. Earrings, of any kind, should not be worn. No exception will be made for recently pierced ears.

Long hair should always be tied back neatly with a simple bobble, scrunchy or alice band in school colours (jade green or navy blue). Hair should be worn in a style appropriate for the varied activities of the school day and colours should be avoided.

A navy or dark blue, plain headscarf (hijab) in the short fitted children's style (with no pins) may be worn.

School uniform items marked * are available from our two schoolwear partners:

Bucks Schoolwear Plus, Aylesbury

<http://bucksschoolwearplus.co.uk>

Tesco Embroidery Service

<http://www.clothingattesco.com/buckinghamshire/buckingham-park-church-of-england-primary-school-pupil-uniform/invt/901137570>