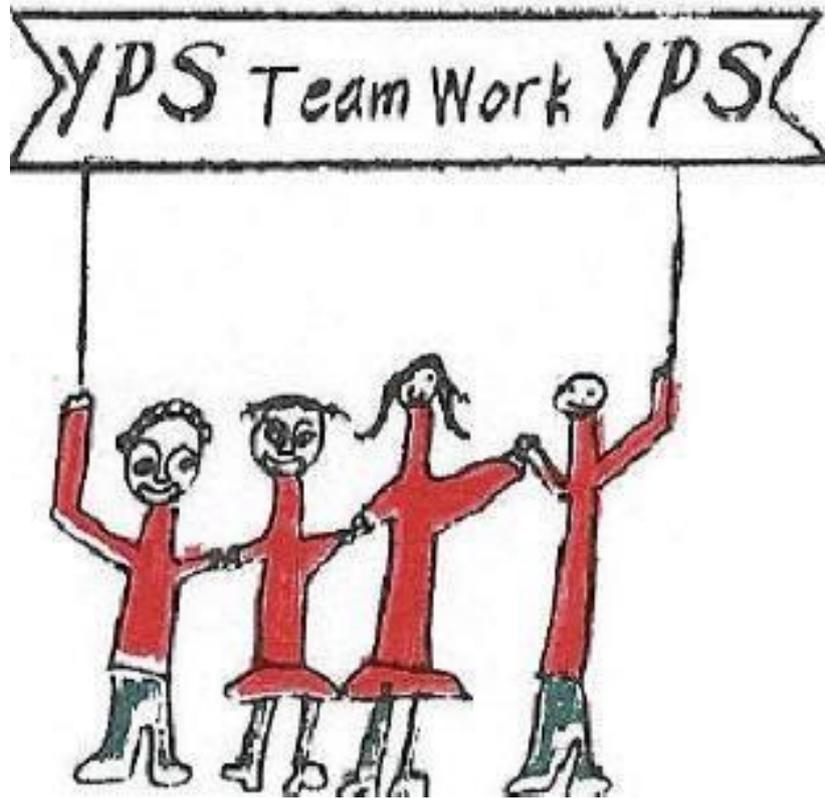


YARDLEY PRIMARY SCHOOL



UNIFORM POLICY

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Yardley Primary School's 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 to the school;
- is practical and smart;
- identifies the children with the school;
- prevents pupils from coming to school in fashion clothes that could be distracting in class;
- makes pupils 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.

It is our policy that all pupils wear school uniform when attending school, or when participating in a school-organised event outside normal school hours unless otherwise directed. We provide a complete list of the items needed for school uniform in the school prospectus.

School Uniform

We have school uniform and we encourage all our pupils to wear their uniform smartly. All items of uniform must be labelled. It consists of the following:

- red polo shirt
- Green jumper/cardigan
- charcoal/grey/black trousers/skirt/culottes – no leggings
- grey/white socks
- sensible black school shoes - No boots, shoes with heels, trainers or flip flops
- Green or red summer dresses if desired
- Hijab - black, red or green in colour. Plain fabric only, not patterned or sequined.

PE Kit

We require that our pupils change for PE activities. They need an appropriately labelled PE kit consisting of the following:

- Trainers / black pumps
- white socks
- T-shirt
- Shorts
- Swimming trunks / one piece costumes – no swimming shorts or two piece swim wear.

PE kit should be brought to school on Monday mornings and taken home on Fridays to be washed. This allows flexibility within the PE timetable for their class teacher.

For health and safety reasons, long hair must be tied back and Hijabs be removed.

If a pupil does not have their PE kits they will observe, rather than participate in PE lessons and a letter will be sent home.

Jewellery:

On health and safety grounds we do not allow pupils to wear jewellery in school. The exceptions to this rule are ear-ring 'studs' in pierced ears. Pupils should not come to school wearing make-up (including nail varnish). The wearing of watches is allowed (but these should not be of an expensive or valuable nature, or novelty watches). The school will accept no responsibility for any items of jewellery lost or damaged.

Hairstyles:

- Hair should be one natural colour, no hair dye.
- The style should be appropriate for school, hair should not obstruct pupils' vision.
- Long hair must be tied back.

Pupils must not wear:

- Hoodies, sportswear or sweatshirts.
- Any kind of boots (wellingtons are allowed in wet weather/snow but must be changed when inside the school buildings).
- Leather or denim clothing.
- Trainers are NOT allowed to be worn at any time other than for PE lessons and clubs.
- Make up and nail varnish should NOT be worn to school.

Non-compliance with the uniform and appearance policy:

Parents of pupils who do not wear the correct uniform, will be contacted and requested to bring in a change of clothes for their child.

Pupils who wear make-up/nail varnish or excessive jewellery will be required to remove these. Items of jewellery will be confiscated by the teacher to be collected by the parent. Persistent and defiant non-compliance with the policy will result in an appropriate sanction which may include reflection or exclusion.

The Role of Parents

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 and in good repair.

If any parent would like the school to modify the uniform policy, they should make representation, in the first instance, to the Headteacher who will then consult the governors. The school welcomes pupils 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 sympathetically at such requests.

The role of Governors

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.

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

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

Monitoring and Review

The governing body monitors and reviews the school uniform policy through its committee work 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 pupils to have special dispensation with regard to school uniform;