

Uniform Policy

Audience	Classroom based staff Parents Pupils
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Associated Governing Body Committee	Finance

School vision statement

To provide an inclusive learning community where every child matters

School aims

- *To provide a high standard of education in a stimulating, varied environment in which children can learn effectively;*
- *To create a caring atmosphere in which children are taught good citizenship, are happy and encouraged to act independently and foster self discipline;*
- *To encourage the children to co-operate with, understand and care for others from all backgrounds and abilities, thus children are guided into responsibility not only for their own development but also that of the whole school family;*
- *To ensure that every child, whatever their ability, has the right and opportunity to attend our school with appropriate resources and support wherever possible, and to have access to a broad and balanced curriculum;*
- *To create, maintain and develop a physical and emotional atmosphere where children are stimulated to develop powers of observation and lively enquiring minds;*
- *To develop an understanding of decision-making and the need for rules, maintaining a continuous effort to improve standards for the general good and success of all.*

We have written this document to support pupils and their learning at Greswold.

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 unless stated. We provide a complete list of the items needed for uniform on our website.

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Aims and Objectives

Our policy is based on the notion that the 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 the 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
- Is designed with health and safety in mind

Role of Governors

The Governing Body sets the school uniform policy and supports the Headteacher in its implementation. We consider any representations from parents regarding the uniform, and liaise with the Headteacher to ensure that the policy is implemented fairly and with sensitivity. It is the Governors' responsibility to ensure that the uniform meets all regulations concerning equal opportunities, and to review this from time to time if needed.

Role of Parents

We ask all parents who send their children to our school to support the uniform policy. We believe that parents have a duty to send their children to school correctly dressed and ready for their daily schoolwork. All uniform must be named. 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; and that their child's hairstyle is appropriate for our school. Long hair must be tied up each day. Hair accessories should be simple and in school colours.

The PTA organises regular sales of second-hand uniform.

Role of pupils

We expect children will wear uniform correctly and appropriately. For example, all shorts, t-shirts and blouses should be tucked in, jumpers should not be tied around the waist or draped on shoulders, hair should be tied back.

Role of Staff

Staff will remind children of our uniform policy when appropriate and will promote pride in appearance throughout the school day. It is not staff responsibility to name items as this should be done by parents. Staff will also apply sanctions for deliberate attempts of non-coherence by children of the uniform policy.

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Additional Uniform Matters

Trainers, open toed sandals, shoes with platform soles or high heels are unsuitable footwear for school, and are not in keeping with our safety requirements or with the smart appearance of school uniform.

On health and safety grounds, the wearing of jewellery is forbidden. This particularly applies to any form of body piercing, including the wearing of pierced earrings and ear studs. A watch may be worn, but the child is responsible for its safe-keeping.

Please note: no nail varnish to be worn.