

Grove Road Primary School



Uniform Policy

Policy Review	
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As a school we hope all uniform reflects the sense of pride the children feel for their school, their Houses and themselves. The hope is that it will encourage and promote a sense of belonging, helping to portray the school's ethos and shared positive values.

The co-operation of parents is appreciated so that we ensure pupils are dressed in the designated uniform of Grove Road. Our policy seeks to strike a balance between costs, practicality and ensuring the children look smart and well presented.

A full range of uniform is available from MAPAC, a link to which can be found on the school's web site home page.

The school uniform consists of:

- Navy blue sweatshirt with Grove badge and the child's house name (available from MAPAC)
- White polo shirt
- Grey, or navy blue trousers (Jeans and fashion trousers are not considered appropriate)
- Grey or navy shorts
- Grey or navy culottes
- Grey or navy blue skirt
- Grey or navy blue pinafore dress
- Blue gingham or striped summer dress
- In cold weather a blue or white long sleeve polo shirt or roll neck jumper may be worn under the sweatshirt

PE kit:

- Navy or black shorts and a t-shirt in house colours (available from MAPAC)
- Trainers/plimsolls
- Year 2 upwards take part in outdoor PE, so a plain navy tracksuit may also be advisable when the weather is cold.

Nursery uniform:

MAPAC supplies a navy polo shirt with white logo available to purchase for nursery children. Nursery uniform is not compulsory. However, many parents feel it gives the children a sense of belonging and prepares them well for integration into Reception and the wider school community.

Footwear:

Requirements for footwear are that children will arrive at school in the smart school shoes that they wear indoors during lesson times. These should be safe, structured black leather/leather looking shoes with a firm sole to encourage healthy development of feet. Trainers and slipper type shoes are not considered suitable.

A second pair of shoes or trainers should be available and left at school for children to change into for playtimes and PE lessons if applicable. There is no colour specification for outdoor shoes. If it is

particularly wet, children may wear wellington boots to school and bring their black indoor school shoes with them for indoor use.

Coats:

Children will always need a warm jacket/anorak/coat unless the weather is unusually warm. A small Pac A Mac in a child's bag, even during the summer months, may be advisable. School fleeces and waterproofs are available on the MAPAC website. These are optional and there is no specific colour or type of coat required, other than something warm and practical.

School bags:

Please do not send children in with big (solid) school bags as the peg space in our cloakroom areas is limited and cannot accommodate them. PE bags can also be purchased from MAPAC but any compact drawstring bag is acceptable.

Summer/winter months:

Please ensure children are dressed for the appropriate season e.g. winter tights, hats, gloves, scarves or sunhats in the summer. Sun cream should be applied before children leave home. Children in Years 3 and 4 will need swimming kit with them on their designated swimming day during the summer term.

Personal:

- For safety reasons, no jewellery is to be worn to school.
- For pupils with pierced ears, one pair of simple studs is permitted. These must be removed or taped over for PE.
- The school policy allows sensible hairstyles/colours only. Braids are discouraged for safety reasons and must be tied back. No extreme styles or patterns should be cut into the hair. If pupils or parents are not sure what will be considered extreme they should check with their teacher or the school office.
- For safety and hygiene reasons long hair should be tied back and worn back and away from the face.
- Pocket money, toys, cards and other objects of value should not be brought into school.
- Apple watches and other palm top devices are not allowed at school.
- Mobile telephones are discouraged, but pupils in Upper KS2 walking home on their own may feel the need to have a phone with them, which should be turned off and stored in their bag whilst on school premises (Please be advised they are stored at pupils' own risk)

Parents and guardians should also note that Hertfordshire County Council (HCC) state it cannot accept liability for loss or damage in respect of personal belongings taken onto HCC premises and advises that pupils avoid taking valuable personal possessions to school.

All removable items of clothing should be clearly marked with the owner's name.

If any of the requirements cause you difficulties or concern, please come and speak to a member of the team who can advise you.