



# School Uniform Policy

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## Goldsmith Primary Academy Uniform Policy

### **Ethos and Vision**

Our policy is based on the belief that a school uniform:

- promotes a sense of pride in the school
- engenders a feeling of belonging
- is practical and distinctive
- identifies the pupils with the school
- is not distracting in class
- makes pupils feel equal to one another in terms of appearance
- reflects the sense both of community and of diversity that the school takes pride in
- is regarded as suitable, and good value for money.

Some decisions on school uniform policy are made to maintain health and safety.

For example, pupils are more easily identified on a school trip if they are wearing a sweatshirt or cardigan with the school badge.

### **Human Rights Act and Equalities Duties**

The Local Advisory Board responsible for governance will consider implications of the Human Rights Act when setting its policy for uniform. It should be considerate of the needs of different cultures, races and religions.

When accommodating religious requirements, the Local Advisory Board responsible for governance will ensure these do not pose a threat to security, safety and learning, or compromise the well-being of the school community.

The policy will not discriminate on the grounds of gender, race, disability, sexual orientation or belief.

## **Sourcing the Uniform:**

The Local Advisory Board responsible for governance will be responsible for ensuring the uniform source provides value for money and the cost of uniform does not preclude admission to the school.

## **Consultation:**

Parents will be consulted with regard to any change to uniform in the autumn term prior to implementation of changes in the following autumn term. Changes in uniform policy will be communicated in the summer term at the latest.

## **Communication of the Policy:**

The policy will be communicated during the admissions process. Details will be given to all parents at induction to the school.

The uniform policy, as listed below, will also be communicated every term in the school newsletter as a reminder of expectations to all parents.



## **Goldsmith Primary Academy uniform consists of:**

### **School Uniform in Reception to Year 6:**

Children in all year groups are required to wear a black logo jumper or cardigan, white button-up shirt or blouse and a Goldsmith tie. Pupils must wear black or grey trousers, or grey school skirt or black or grey pinafore dress, not joggers or jeans. In the Summer months, pupils may wear black or grey shorts or a yellow school summer dress. School shoes, not black trainers or boots, must be worn at all times. We believe uniform is an important sign that we have the same values and beliefs, and we agree to be part of one family, as such, failure to comply with the school's uniform policy, will result in a conversation with a member of the senior leadership team.

### **School Uniform in Goldilocks and Nursery:**

Children in Goldilocks and Nursery are required to wear a black logo jumper or cardigan and a white polo shirt. There is no need to wear a tie in these year groups. Pupils must wear black or grey trousers or joggers, a black or grey school skirt or black or grey pinafore dress. In the summer months, pupils may wear black or grey shorts or a yellow school summer dress. School shoes, not black trainers or boots, must be worn at all times. Failure to comply with the school's uniform policy, will result in a conversation with a member of the senior leadership team.

### **Trainers:**

As previously mentioned, Trainers are not permitted for daily wear in school, regardless of their colour or style. Trainers are only permitted when children wear these as part of their PE kit.

## **PE Uniform:**

Our school uniform includes clothing required for physical education. We have adopted a comfortable PE uniform which should enhance the pupils' participation and enjoyment of sport and physical activity. Our PE uniform is the same for both boys and girls:

## **PE Kit in Reception to Year 6:**

**Pupils can attend school in their full and correct PE on their PE day(s). Continue to check the website, ClassDojo and ParentMail for up to date information.**

On children's PE days, children in all year groups are required to wear their new Goldsmith PE t-shirt and black or grey joggers, not jeans, leggings or other types of trousers (both items available at all major supermarkets). In the summer months, children may wear black or grey shorts. Trainers or black plimsolls (pumps) must be worn for PE; no other footwear is permitted. PE kit is important and children who do not wear the appropriate kit will be asked to get changed into a school kit, where available. Not wearing the correct PE uniform can be embarrassing and upsetting for the child; something we wish to avoid.

Pupils will be expected to attend school ready for PE and must wear pumps for indoor PE in the hall. If pupils do not have a PE kit in school they will not be allowed to participate directly in the lesson, but will be involved in other ways.

## **Jewellery:**

Bracelets, necklaces, dangling earrings and other accessories are not permitted for reasons of health and safety and are common practice in most primary schools in the United Kingdom. Details of this can be found at: <https://www.hse.gov.uk/services/education/>. Children are permitted to wear small silver or gold studs in the ears. Please note that these **must be removed** on PE days. Should we notice that your child is wearing an item of jewellery which is deemed unsafe, a member of the senior leadership team will ask your child to remove the item and it will be placed in a clear plastic bag for collection at the end of the day. Jewellery worn for religious reasons will be permitted upon direct agreement, in writing, from the headteacher.

## **No:**

- Large earrings or hoops
- Studs or rings in any other part of the body
- Necklaces, bracelets or rings
- No makeup should be worn by pupils at school
- No coloured nail varnish should be worn by pupils in school

## **Hair/ Hairstyles:**

We kindly ask that all long hair is tied up in a ponytail, plait or other controlled style, using either a dark coloured bobble or single black scrunchie. You are permitted to wear 1 small, black bow, if you wish. Children wearing large bows or bows of contrasting colour, will be asked to take these out and the accessory will be placed in a clear plastic bag, for collection at the end of the

day. Large bows can present a distraction to both your child and others. We are happy for these to be worn on a non-uniform day. Headwear worn for religious purposes is permitted.

### **Goldsmith Primary Academy does not allow:**

- False Nails
- Nail Varnish/Painted Nails
- Makeup of any sort
- Extreme colouration of hair
- Hairstyles which include noticeable variations in colour or length
- Shaven heads or any haircut that involves the shaving of symbols or lines

Parents are to inform the school in writing if they are not able to comply with the uniform policy for any reason. For example, there may be a valid medical reason why a child has to wear alternative footwear to that in the policy. The Headteacher will determine if this is a valid reason and will respond in writing. The expectation will be for the child to return to being in full uniform as soon as possible.

### **Breaching School Uniform Policy:**

It is the headteacher's responsibility to make sure pupils keep to the rules. The Headteacher can discipline pupils for breaches of uniform policy.

Parents will be informed by letter if pupils are without proper uniform and no communication has been received from parents. This will also include when pupils do not have their full P.E kit.

Exclusion on the grounds of breaches of uniform policy should only be used in cases where breaches of uniform policy are persistent and clearly defiant.

### **Monitoring of this Policy:**

This policy will be monitored by the Local Advisory Board responsible for Governance through:

- Reports from the Headteacher on standards and the number of letters sent to parents
- Parental and pupil responses through surveys
- Governor monitoring visits to the school. Details are to be found in the school's Behaviour Policy

## Appendix 1 - Goldilocks and Nursery Uniform Checklist:

Use this handy uniform checklist to help you organise your children's uniform and ensure you have all the required items. Failure to comply will result in a telephone conversation with a member of the Senior Leadership Team.

Main Uniform			
Item	Suggested Quantity	Where to purchase	Purchased?
Goldsmith V neck jumpers.	2	<a href="#">Crested School Wear - GPA V Neck</a>	
Goldsmith Cardigans	2	<a href="#">Crested School Wear - GPA Cardigan</a>	
White Polo Shirts	4	<a href="#">Asda - White Polo Shirts</a>	
Boys School Trousers	2	<a href="#">Asda - Boys School Trouser Range</a>	
Girls School Trousers	2	<a href="#">Asda - Girls School Trouser Range</a>	
Girls School Skirts	2	<a href="#">Asda - Girls School Skirts Range</a>	
Girls School Dresses	2	<a href="#">Asda - Girls School Dresses Range</a>	
Boys School Summer Shorts	2	<a href="#">Asda - Boys School Shorts Range</a>	
Girls School Summer Dress	2	<a href="#">Asda - Girls Yellow Summer Dress</a>	
Boys Shoes	1	<a href="#">Asda - Boys School Shoes Range</a>	
Girls Shoes	1	<a href="#">Asda - Girls School Shoes Range</a>	
Optional Extra Items			
Goldsmith Hair Scrunchie	3	<a href="#">Crested School Wear - GPA Hair Scrunchie</a>	
Iron-on Name Tags	As many as required to name <b>ALL</b> items.	<a href="#">Crested School Wear - Iron-on Name Tags</a>	

## Appendix 2 - Reception to Year 6 Uniform Checklist:

Use this handy uniform checklist to help you organise your children's uniform and ensure you have all the required items. Failure to comply will result in a telephone conversation with a member of the senior leadership team.

Main Uniform			
Item	Suggested Quantity	Where to purchase	Purchased?
Goldsmith V Neck Jumpers	2	<a href="#">Crested School Wear - GPA V Neck</a>	
Goldsmith Cardigans	2	<a href="#">Crested School Wear - GPA Cardigan</a>	
Goldsmith Tie	2	<a href="#">Crested School Wear - GPA Tie</a>	
Boys White Shirts	4	<a href="#">Asda - Boys White Shirts</a>	
Girls White Blouses	4	<a href="#">Asda - Girls White Blouses</a>	
Boys School Trousers	2	<a href="#">Asda - Boys School Trouser Range</a>	
Girls School Trousers	2	<a href="#">Asda - Girls School Trouser Range</a>	
Girls School Skirts	2	<a href="#">Asda - Girls School Skirts Range</a>	
Girls School Dresses	2	<a href="#">Asda - Girls School Dresses Range</a>	
Boys School Summer Shorts	2	<a href="#">Asda - Boys School Shorts Range</a>	
Girls School Summer Dress	2	<a href="#">Asda - Girls Yellow Summer Dress</a>	
Boys Shoes	1	<a href="#">Asda - Boys School Shoes Range</a>	
Girls Shoes	1	<a href="#">Asda - Girls School Shoes Range</a>	
PE Kit			
Gold Goldsmith PE T-Shirt	1	Provided by the school - These will be distributed in Sep'21. Additional t-shirts can be purchased from the office or via ParentMail from Mid-Sep'21.	

Black Joggers	1	<a href="#">Asda - Black PE Joggers</a>	
Black Summer Shorts	1	<a href="#">Asda - Black PE Summer Shorts</a>	
Black Pumps	1	<a href="#">Asda - Black PE Pumps</a>	
Optional Extra Items			
Goldsmith Book Bag	1	<a href="#">Crested School Wear - GPA Book Bag</a>	
Goldsmith Hair Scrunchie	3	<a href="#">Crested School Wear - GPA Hair Scrunchie</a>	
Iron-on Name Tags	As many as required to name <b><i>ALL</i></b> items.	<a href="#">Crested School Wear - Iron-on Name Tags</a>	

Please note, we have a 'Sustainability Swap Shop' in school, where parents will be able to source pre-loved, second hand uniform. There is also a local charity shop who provide Goldsmith pre-loved uniform. For more information about this, please contact school and ask for Mrs Twells.

