



Uniform Policy

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Approved by the governing body on: _____

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Introduction

Priory Junior School is very proud of the high standards we achieve in all areas of school life. Pupils represent not only themselves but also their families, communities and their school. We therefore ask that pupils maintain a high standard of appearance and wear their uniform with pride at all times.

Children at Priory Junior School are proud to wear their uniform and treat it with care. School uniform instils a sense of belonging and community pride and ensures equality amongst pupils. We maintain a strict uniform policy and ask that parents/carers support all aspects of the school uniform policy, ensure their child is always in the correct full school uniform and mark all items of clothing and footwear with their child's name.

Uniform plays an important part in supporting our behaviour curriculum and our school rules outlined in the 'The Priory Way,' particularly the school aim of 'dress to impress'. This promotes a respect and pride in our school uniform. Uniform sets the appropriate tone for education, supports our school values and also provides a sense of belonging and identity to our school.

We Dress to Impress as part of the **Priory Way** because:

- It promotes respect by showing that we are proud of our school.
- It promotes independence by ensuring that we are dressed correctly for the day.
- It promotes equality by ensuring that everyone has the same uniform and shows that we are all members of the same team.

Our School Uniform Policy takes into consideration:

- The Human Rights Act 1998
- The Equality Act 2010
- Safeguarding arrangements
- The Health and Safety of our pupils
- How practical, comfortable and appropriate the uniform is for children (including PE)
- Affordability for families (parents/carers have the option of either purchasing branded logo items or non-branded similar uniform from local shops).

Wearing the correct school uniform:

Navy blue sweatshirt/jumper or cardigan (no hoodies or logo branded sports items). Leaver's hoodies are allowed for Year 6 pupils. Hoods should not be worn inside.

Grey or black skirt, no higher than just above the knee

Grey or black pinafore dress. Optional blue gingham dress.

Grey or black school trousers (no leggings or jogging bottoms).

Grey or black school shorts, no higher than just above the knee (not cycling shorts, unless under a skirt/dress)

Sky blue polo shirt.

Plain black, grey or white socks. Plain black or neutral tights (footless tights and leggings are not permitted).

Sensible black leather type school shoes. Flat or low heels only. Plain black trainers are also permitted provided they are leather in type. Canvas/fabric shoes, football/astro turf boots or sandals are not acceptable.



Wearing the correct PE kit:

Plain white or sky blue t-shirt or polo shirt.

Navy blue or black shorts, no higher than just above the knee – no cycling shorts

Navy blue or black jogging bottoms

Optional navy blue/black tracksuit for winter.

Plain white or black sports trainers

Hair

Hair that is long enough to obstruct a child's sight should be tied back

Hair accessories should be small

Hair should have no patterns or tram lines in

Hair dye colour should not be used unless agreed by school. If agreed, hair dye colour should be natural

Coloured hair braids are not permitted in school

Visible hair products used to style hair are not permitted e.g. gel, wax and dye.

Make-Up

No form of make-up is permitted to be worn by pupils in school. This includes nail varnish, gel nails, false nails, false eyelashes or visible temporary tattoos or other accessories.

Jewellery

Children are not permitted to wear jewellery on Health and Safety grounds, except for inexpensive wrist watches or small silver or gold studded earrings. If pupils have pierced ears, earrings must be removed for P.E. and swimming. Staff cannot support with the removal of earrings.

If pupils have recently had their ears pierced, earrings are permitted to be kept in for 6 weeks before being asked to be removed. During this time, earrings will be covered for PE. Parents should provide plasters for this.

Jewellery worn for religious obligations should be covered for PE.

Hooped earrings, smart watches or other jewellery such as necklaces that do not meet the criteria above will be removed and returned to pupils at the end of the day.

Uniform Stockists:

1. www.loopwear.co.uk / 01773 717984
2. www.myclothing.com / 0800 0590594

Non-compliance with the School Uniform and Appearance Policy

Pupils whose appearance does not comply with the Priory Junior School Uniform Policy will be reminded initially by adults in school and parents will be contacted. Where uniform continues to breach the policy, class teachers or members of SLT will speak to parents. Persistent and defiant non-compliance with the School Uniform and Appearance Policy will result in appropriate sanctions in line with the behaviour policy.

On the second day, pupils will be requested to go to the School Office to be provided with the correct uniform. Before providing uniform from school, the School Office will contact the parents to request that correct uniform be brought into school. If this is not possible, pupils will be provided with a spare piece of clean uniform to wear until the end of the school day.

Reasonable Adjustments

The uniform policy will be adapted to meet the needs of the children if a reasonable adjustment is required due to a special educational need or other agreed reason. This will be agreed by the school and parents with the support of outside agencies if needed. Written consent will be given by the school to indicate that a reasonable adjustment has been made for the child.

Religious or cultural dress e.g. hijab may be worn. These should be school colours: white, black, blue or grey.

Uniform Notes

- The school will decide if a particular item of clothing meets our uniform expectations and will require items to be changed if deemed necessary.
- Staff can ask children to change into school provided uniform at the start of the day if they are not compliant with the uniform policy.
- Parents must ensure their child is dressed appropriately for the day, this includes having a warm plain coat for the cold and wet weather.
- During the summer months, students are encouraged to wear a plain peaked cap for sun protection whilst outside. Sunglasses should NOT be worn unless a sensory need has been outlined with staff.
- For health and safety reasons, the only permitted jewellery in school is one small stud earring in each ear and an inexpensive watch (not a smart watch). Earrings will be covered with plasters for PE (parents to provide the plasters) and watches will be removed. Jewellery worn for religious obligations should be covered for PE.
- No form of make-up is permitted on pupils in school. This includes nail varnish, gel nails, false nails, false eyelashes or visible temporary tattoos or other accessories.
- Hair should be tied back neatly, off the face, tied with plain sensible bobbles. No patterns are to be cut into hair and hair colour should be kept natural.

ALL ITEMS OF UNIFORM AND PE KIT MUST BE CLEARLY LABELLED WITH NAME TAGS OR PERMANENT MARKER.