Oaklands Junior School

SCHOOL UNIFORM AND KIT

All children are expected to wear the school uniform as described below and take pride in their school uniform in representing our school. Parents/carers are asked to resist any excesses of fashion in clothing or hairstyle which can tend, usually without just cause, to bring the school or the individual into disrepute. Clothing should be tidy, sensible and compliant and all items of clothing must be named.

Most department stores stock ranges of clothing which are acceptable. Uniform with the school logo can be ordered online from Marks & Spencer, however, this will be changing to BRIGADE from November 2023.

The agreed uniform is listed below and, as it follows a certain degree of flexibility, **all** pupils are expected to wear it.

BOYS / GIRLS

Smart grey / navy blue trousers / navy blue skirt / pinafore dress (skirts or dresses to be a decent length of just above the knee or longer)

Pale blue traditional shirt / blouse / polo shirt with collar Navy blue jumper / cardigan / sweatshirt

Grey / navy blue socks / tights Sensible plain shoes, all black

Optional for summer:

Blue / white gingham dresses Tailored / grey shorts White socks

Hair

Hair should be neat and tidy. Long hair, both for girls and boys, **must** be tied back or up. Hairbands, "scrunchies" or hair clips, if used, to be school colours of blue or yellow and of a modest size. Also shaved patterns, etc, are not appropriate for school so please restrict to the beginning of a long holiday away from school.

Shoes

Parents/carers are requested to refrain from buying school shoes with deep tread patterns as these shoes bring in a great deal of mud, even if shoes are wiped at the door.

Please ensure that shoes are suitable for school wear – sling-backs, backless, open-toed or high heeled shoes are **not** acceptable. Likewise DM boots or similar are **not** appropriate footwear for school. Please see Appendix A for more information.

Jewellery

No jewellery other than watches (not smartwatches), which pupils bring in at their own risk and are responsible for keeping safe. Small stud earrings may be worn but must be removed for P.E./Games lessons and other occasional activities when earrings may cause injury to the child or others. Please note that children are **not** allowed to wear any earrings during swimming lessons. Please restrict any ear-piercing to the beginning of a long holiday away from school when your child can learn to remove and insert their own earrings. Smartwatches are **not** allowed in school.

Mobile Phones

ONLY Y6 are allowed a mobile in school (with parental/carer permission) on the
understanding that they are NOT used on school property before or after school AND
are handed in at the beginning of the day (switched off) and collected at the end of the
day. If anyone uses otherwise, phones may be confiscated / banned.

How to Order Uniform Items

All items of new schoolwear with the school logo are available to order from M&S until November 2023 via their website www.mandsyourschooluniform.com or by telephoning 0333 0148418. Yellow PE tops are also available to order from BRIGADE https://www.brigade.uk.com/parents/school/OA8711PD/. Please note: from November 2023 all schoolwear displaying a school logo will only be available to order from BRIGADE http://www.brigade.uk.com/parents.

Our PTA do organise several Nearly New Sales of school uniform during the year. If you are in need of school clothing outside of these sales, please contact our PTA via oaklandschoolspta@gmail.com

P.E./GAMES KIT

For P.E. and Games, pupils are required to wear the following:

♦ Yellow T-shirt, navy shorts

Parents/carers should note that:

- Trainers are best for outdoor lessons.
- ♦ Children will normally work barefoot for gymnastics and dance lessons (plimsolls will be allowed if children have foot problems).
- Many children like to have a plain/dark black/navy blue tracksuit when the weather is cold, but this is optional. Please ensure unbranded, discreet logo.
- ♦ In the interests of children's health and safety, all stud earrings and watches must be removed for P.E./Games lessons, with pupils responsible for their own safekeeping.

Children playing football will require suitable footwear. It is advisable that children wear shin pads and long socks for football lessons.

Football and netball teams are supplied with school kit for matches. This should be washed and returned to school as soon as possible after a match.

| Hockey teams will also require shin pads and mouth guards but parents/carers will be notified of this when children express an interest in joining the hockey club. |
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| ART AND DT |
| An apron, overall or old shirt provides a useful degree of protection and should be kept in school at all times. Paint and clay can be very messy! |
| <u>COMPUTING</u> |
| Children must use their own individual named headphones when in the Computer Suite. Pupils should bring their own into school, and they should be small enough to fit neatly into a drawer. Please avoid overly large headphones as storage will be a problem. |
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Appendix A

Pupils must wear sensible, closed-toed, plain, **all black shoes**. Open-toed sandals, trainers, heeled shoes and boots are not appropriate for school.

