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# EVPA Uniform Policy

At Ecton Village Primary Academy, we are proud of our school uniform and we believe it plays an essential part in establishing a strong sense of shared identity, community and belonging and all children, including those in pre-school, wear our uniform. A smart appearance contributes positively to the pupils' behaviour, self-esteem, attitude learning and long term success.

We very much appreciate the support of parents and carers in ensuring pupils attend school every day, dressed smartly and sensibly in the correct uniform, ready to learn. We would like to take this opportunity to thank all pupils and parents/carers for their support in helping to apply the Academy uniform policy and ensuring that our academy community is one we can all be proud of.

We are aware that increasing costs for families are a concern, in response to this we have reviewed our uniform policy to ensure we maintain an affordable option for all parents.

It is Ecton Village Primary Academy policy and expectation that all children wear school uniform when attending school or when participating in a school organised event outside normal school hours.

## **OUR POLICY**

Our school uniform policy is based on the idea that school uniform:

- is practical and smart
- identifies the children with the school, creating a sense of equality and belonging
- is regarded as suitable wear for school and good value for money by most parents
- is designed with health and safety in mind

#### JEWELLERY

On health and safety grounds we do not allow children to wear jewellery in our school. The exceptions to this rule are one pair of stud earrings in pierced ears, however, we do ask that these are removed on PE days.

#### HAIR and HEAD COVERINGS

- hair should be fastened back away from the face
- hair accessories must be small, in plain or academy uniform colours
- in PE lessons hair must be tied back
- extreme hairstyles and colours are not acceptable

• head coverings must be tight fitting, in plain/subdued colours and fastened WITHOUT the use of pins

• a hat may be worn outside to protect against the weather

### **Ecton Village Primary Academy Uniform:**

Our school uniform consists of grey trousers / skirts / pinafore dresses for all children.

Children in the Squirrel, Hedgehog and Badger classes (pre-school, Year R, 1, 2, 3 and 4) wear a white polo t-shirt and the green jumper / cardigan with the school logo.

Children in the Owl class wear a shirt, the school tie and the blue jumper / cardigan with the school logo.

Shoes must be black and made of leather, or leather look.

Trainers or canvas shoes are not appropriate footwear.

### PE KIT

Children in KS1 and KS2 (not reception or pre-school) must come to school wearing PE kit on the day they have their PE lesson. For this reason it is ESSENTIAL that all children have the full Ecton PE kit and trainers to wear on these days.

- Green branded EVPA T-shirt
- Black Shorts
- Plain Black joggers (no branding of any sort)
- Plain black zip up hoodie (no branding of any sort)

• PE will take place on the following days for the following classes. Hedgehogs (Year 1 and 2) Tuesday; Badgers (Year 3 and 4) Thursday; Owls (Year 5 and 6) Wednesday

#### **Our Uniform Provider**

Our uniform provider is "The Uniform Shop" in Wellingborough.

You can order uniform items, with our logo, online at: <u>WWW.UNIFORMSHOPWELLINGBOROUGH.CO.UK</u>

Visit the shop at: 8, Olympic Way, Wellingborough, NN8 3QE

Telephone: 01933 426433.

Please call ahead to check opening times and to make an appointment.

We appreciate your continued commitment to Ecton Village Primary Academy and, whilst it is not possible to refer to all dress/appearance combinations, we expect our pupils to dress smartly with no extremes of clothing or fashion styles that could be deemed inappropriate for school.

If there are serious reasons, why parents or carers want their child to wear clothes that differ from our uniform at Ecton Village Primary Academy, we will look sympathetically at such requests on a case by case basis. This however, does not mean that changes in the policy will be automatically allowed. Please contact the academy principal Mrs Kate Cleaver.

## **Uniform Exchange / Pre-Loved Sales**

Parents often donate pre loved good condition uniform items to school. These items are then available at a nominal cost for families. Please speak to a member of staff for more details.

Please send donations of uniform items into the school office.

Thank you for all donations.