



Oakgrove School

Uniform Policy

OAKGROVE SCHOOL UNIFORM POLICY

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Part One: Oakgrove School – Primary and Nursery (Nursery – Year 6)

It is our aim at Oakgrove School to bring each individual to their full potential in a school atmosphere of harmony and shared community values. All children are expected to arrive for school smartly dressed in the correct uniform.

Nursery Uniform

- Navy Blue sweatshirt with or without Oakgrove Primary School logo*
- White polo shirt with or without Oakgrove Primary School logo*
- Plain dark (black, grey or navy) comfortable bottoms – e.g. leggings, tracksuit bottoms

Reception through to Year 6

- White polo shirt with or without Oakgrove Primary School logo*
- Grey tailored trousers / skirt
- Navy blue fleece with or without Oakgrove Primary School logo *
- Plain black tights or white socks with skirts
- Plain black socks with trousers
- Sensible flat black shoes (no logos/branding, trainers, trainer type shoes, canvas shoes/pumps or similar allowed)
- Navy blue cardigan or sweatshirt with or without Oakgrove Primary School logo*

Summer Uniform

As above with the option of:

- Navy blue checked summer dress
- Grey school shorts

Jewellery and Hair

- Jewellery and make-up is not permitted with the exception of a watch
- **Items of religious jewellery must be discussed with the Deputy Head or Headteacher**
- Children with pierced ears may wear one sleeper or stud in the lobe of each ear. Either gold or silver studs are permitted. No other styles or colours are permitted and will be confiscated and returned via parents.

The school uniform policy specifically requires that hair should not be at the extremes of fashion.

- “Extreme” – not too short, nor too long, no shorter than No.2 and blended in with hair of other lengths. A fade is acceptable if the hair remains no shorter than a 2 on top with hair covering to at least the ears.
- “Artwork” on the scalp or eyebrows is regarded as a fashion extreme and is therefore not permitted.
- Students’ hair should be all one colour, and close to the student’s natural hair tone.
- Hair bands and headscarves should be strictly functional and navy blue or light blue or black or white.
- Hair braid beads / rings must be plain gold or silver.

PE KIT

- Navy blue shorts
- Round necked plain white T shirt
- Black plimsolls or suitable trainers

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- A plain navy or black tracksuit/ leggings may be worn during the winter months for outdoor sports
- Plain white /black socks

No jewellery of any type may be worn in PE or Games.

Clothing Supplier

Maisies is the named outfitters (www.maisies-superstore.co.uk).

** Items marked with an asterisk must be purchased from Maisies*

Additional Items (compulsory)

- Book bag with school logo (can be purchased from Maisies)

Additional Items (optional)

- Water bottles

Second-hand Uniform

We regularly (termly) run a uniform exchange for parents/carers who would like to access second-hand uniform. This can help to reduce uniform costs while also improving sustainability by extending the life of garments. For further information on the dates of these exchanges please contact Reception.

We appreciate parents' support in ensuring children arrive at school smartly dressed in their appropriate school uniform.

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Part Two: Oakgrove School – Secondary (Years 7-11)

Maisies is the named outfitters (www.maisies-superstore.co.uk).

It is our aim at Oakgrove School to bring each individual to their full potential in a school atmosphere of harmony and shared community values. For this reason, we insist upon high standards in dress and appearance that prepare our students for successful careers in the wider community. In addition, movement around the school at times can become congested and it is important therefore that students are dressed appropriately and they are not wearing items that could become a safety hazard.

It is the responsibility of parents/carers to ensure that their child is in the correct uniform that complies with the school's policy and ready to learn. Form tutors and the pastoral team are responsible for monitoring uniforms; all staff are responsible for ensuring that students are correctly dressed in class and elsewhere on the school site. Students not wearing the correct uniform or deliberately wearing the uniform incorrectly (for example, not wearing a blazer over a jumper, rolling up skirts) will be liable to sanctions in line with the school's behaviour policy. Students wearing uniform which cannot be rectified, may not be able to attend lessons. In the case of jewellery and other accessories, the student will be asked to remove the item, which will be confiscated. If a student persistently has jewellery confiscated, a parent/carer may then need to come into school to collect the item. Please note, the school reserves the right to deem items appropriate or inappropriate on a case by case scenario.

Students' Main Uniform

- Sensible flat black shoes (no sports logos/branding, trainers, trainer type shoes, canvas shoes/pumps, boots or similar allowed). Students are welcome to wear walking boots to/from school in extreme weather events and change into their normal school shoes once on site.
- Socks and tights must be black. Socks must be plain and ankle length (no trainer socks or logos). Socks cannot be worn under or over tights.
- Grey tailored trousers or shorts (not tight or lycra) with black socks. Trousers must be worn around the waist.
- Years 8-11 - Grey knee length A-line skirt (not pencil, mini, lycra or tight). The skirt must be worn appropriately, and as intended (not rolled over or bunched and tied to make shorter).
- All years - Grey Culottes
- Pale blue shirt/French collar blouse.
- French navy single-breasted blazer with Oakgrove House Badge* sewn onto the front left chest pocket.
- French navy V neck sweater (optional). NB: Hoodies are NOT to be worn under blazers. NB. V neck sweaters are not to be worn instead of the blazer.
- French navy cardigan (optional). NB. cardigans are not to be worn instead of the blazer.
- French navy tie with silver stripe* (optional with French collar blouse only) – minimum of 12 stripes showing on the front.
- Outside coats are not to be worn inside classrooms, they can be worn at other times over the top of their blazers. NB. coats are not to be worn instead of the blazer.
- Hoodies/sportswear tops must not be worn within the school grounds at all.
- In the event of extreme weather conditions, the uniform requirements may vary, for example, on days when the temperature is exceptionally high, students will be informed they are allowed to remove their blazers and on occasions ties. However, if they choose to do so their V neck sweater must also be removed.

** Items marked with an asterisk must be purchased from Maisies*

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Jewellery and Body Art

- Students are encouraged to wear a watch to help with punctuality and organisation. However, smart watches are not allowed and will fall under the rules on mobile phones.
- Pierced ears - one pair (one per ear) of either plain gold or silver studs is permitted. No other styles or colours are permitted and will be confiscated and returned via Student Services. Students are not permitted to wear stretchers or spacers.
- Nose studs or other forms of body piercing are not allowed. The use of plasters to cover items of jewellery is not acceptable. Any infringement will result in sanctions with the student potentially being internally or externally suspended.
- No visible or permanent tattoos are permitted.
(the Tattooing of Minors Act 1969 makes it illegal for anyone under the age of 18 to have a permanent tattoo)
- Belts must be strictly functional – plain black, suitable for trousers only.
- No rubber or plastic wristbands or bracelets of any material are to be worn.
- No necklaces allowed. These will be confiscated and returned via Student Services.
- Items of religious jewellery must be discussed with the relevant pastoral team

Make-up:

- KS3 students are not permitted to wear any form of make-up.
- In KS4 discreet foundation and mascara may be worn. No eyeshadow or lipstick is allowed.
- Lip balm must be clear.
- False nails, nail varnish and nail art are not permitted in any year group.

Hair:

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- “Artwork” on the scalp or eyebrows is regarded as a fashion extreme and is therefore not permitted.
- Students' hair should be all one colour, and a natural hair tone.
- Hair bands and headscarves should be strictly functional and navy blue or light blue or black or white.
- Hair braid beads/rings must be plain gold, silver, navy blue or light blue or black or white.

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PE Kit and Safety Expectations Policy

General Safety and Naming Requirements

These safety regulations apply to all students participating in PE and Sports lessons across all key stages.

Naming: All items of PE kit must be clearly and permanently named in a manner that will not wash off after a period of time.

Jewellery and Tracking Devices: No jewellery of any type may be worn during PE or Sports lessons. This prohibition includes all personal fitness tracking devices, such as Fitbits or Garmin VivoFit/VivoSmart devices.

Piercings and Safety: Taping over piercings is not deemed a suitable form of protection. The supervising member of staff holds the final discretion to determine if a student's participation in an activity is safe or not due to the presence of jewellery that cannot be removed.

Hair: Hair that is shoulder-length or longer must be securely tied back for all lessons.

Valuables: We strongly advise that valuable items are left at home on days when students have PE or Sport lessons. It is the student's responsibility to ensure that any valuables brought to school are given to a member of staff at the start of the lesson to be locked away for safe keeping.

Hygiene: Students must have a change of socks to wear during PE lessons for hygiene purposes.

Key Stage 3 (Years 7, 8, and 9) Kit

Items marked with an asterisk (*) must be purchased through Maisies, the official supplier.

Category 1: Essential Items

The essential kit items required for all students are:

- Oakgrove Secondary School P.E. Polo Shirt (*)
- Plain navy shorts, OR plain navy tracksuit bottoms, OR plain navy leggings.
- Shorts must not be tight-fitting and must be of an appropriate length. All bottoms must be entirely plain navy with no patterns, stripes, or non-navy sections.
- Plain navy football socks (no non-navy patterns or stripes).
- Trainers
- Studded boots. Studded footwear will be required by all students within the first term.
- Shin pads

Category 2: Recommended Items

These items are highly recommended for comfort and performance:

- Oakgrove Secondary Reversible Sports Top (*)
- Plain navy inner or base layer (to be worn underneath the polo shirt)
- Gum shield (strongly recommended but not compulsory)

Category 3: Optional Items

These items are optional additions for extra warmth:

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- A plain navy sports jumper, which may have no logo or only a small, inconspicuous logo.
- Oakgrove Secondary School Zip training top (to be purchased from Maisies), OR a ¼ zip top in Oakgrove colours with the school badge, OR a PE fleece, with the style to be sourced by the student.

Alternative Retailer Options (KS3)

The Oakgrove Secondary School Girls P.E. Leggings and the Oakgrove Secondary School P.E. Track Pants can be purchased from Maisies if parents wish to do so; however, suitable alternatives may be sourced from other retailers.

Key Stage 4 (KS4) Expectations

KS4 Sports Studies Lessons

The expectations regarding PE kit and personal attire for KS4 Sports Studies lessons are exactly the same as those stipulated for KS3 PE lessons.

KS4 Core PE Lessons

Expectations regarding personal attire and conduct remain high. All students must adhere to the General Safety and Naming Requirements, ensuring all jewellery is removed and hair is tied back. Studded footwear will NOT be required by students in KS4 Core PE lessons.

Category 1: Essential Items (KS4 Core PE)

The essential kit items required are:

- Oakgrove Secondary School P.E. Polo Shirt (*)
- Plain navy shorts OR plain navy tracksuit bottoms OR plain navy leggings (following the fit and colour restrictions).
- Plain navy football socks (no non-navy patterns or stripes).
- Trainers

Category 2: Recommended Items (KS4 Core PE)

These items are highly recommended for warmth and comfort:

- Oakgrove Secondary Reversible Sports Top (*) OR ¼ zip Training Top (*)
- Plain navy inner or base layer (to be worn underneath the polo shirt or games jersey)

Category 3: Optional Items (KS4 Core PE)

This item is an optional addition for extra warmth:

- A plain navy sports jumper with no logo or with a small, inconspicuous logo.

Alternative Retailer Options (KS4 Core PE)

Students have flexibility in sourcing alternatives from other retailers:

- Bottoms: PLAIN navy, black, or grey shorts, tracksuit bottoms, or leggings. (Shorts must be an appropriate length and not tight-fitting.)
- Socks: A PLAIN pair of socks in white, navy, or black. These can be trainer/ankle socks, sports socks, or football socks.

Logo and Affiliation Policy (All Alternative Items)

All alternative items must NOT have large logos or show any sport or club affiliation (e.g., no football shirts or football training tops). The PE department reserves the right to deem items appropriate or inappropriate on a case-by-case scenario.

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We regularly (termly) provide an opportunity for parents/carers to purchase second-hand uniform. This can help to reduce uniform costs while also improving sustainability by extending the life of garments. For further information on the dates of these opportunities please view the school calendar or contact Reception.

Non-Adherence to Uniform Policy

Non-adherence to school uniform is managed via the Behaviour management policy. This policy can be found in the [Policy section](#) of the school's website. Reasonable adjustments to school uniform for SEND pupils must be discussed with the relevant pastoral team.

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Part Three: Oakgrove School – Secondary (Years 12 and 13)

At Oakgrove we have a reputation for our students wearing the school uniform and being proud of the excellent school they attend. The uniform represents the school in and around the local community. In the Sixth Form we do not expect students to wear a uniform. However, it is expected that students will be well presented and dress in a smart manner which, in the opinion of the school representative, is an appropriate way to attend school.

Students who dress inappropriately will receive points and may be sent home to change.

Whilst there will be a degree of flexibility there are some items which will not be considered appropriate. These include: any ripped denim, sports shorts, leggings, jogging bottoms, over the knee boots, strappy or low-cut tops or T-Shirts with large or offensive writing/logos (for example, no swear words or violent imagery). Hair colour(s) should be natural and styles should not be extreme. This list is not exhaustive and individual judgements may be made about the dress or appearance by members of the Sixth Form Team or Senior Leadership Team

This policy will be reviewed on an annual basis.