



**Ysgol Gynradd Maesglas**

**‘Inspire, Achieve, Dream, Succeed’**

# **Uniform Policy**

**April 2023**

<b>Policy review Date</b>	<b>April 2023</b>
<b>Date of next Review</b>	<b>April 2026</b>
<b>Reviewed by</b>	<b>Governors</b>
<b>Headteacher</b>	<b>Mrs Moses</b>
<b>Chair of Governors</b>	<b>Gaynor Evans</b>

This policy has been reviewed; to the best of our knowledge we do not feel it impacts negatively on any specific group or individual within our school community.

## **Introduction**

It is our school policy that all children wear school uniforms when attending school, or when participating in school-organised events outside normal school hours. We ask children to take pride in their personal appearance. Some items of uniform can be bought from the local school uniform shop 'Pretty Miss', whilst others are easily available, at very competitive prices, at local shops including supermarkets. A complete list of the items needed for school uniform including those for Physical Education, is contained in this policy.

## **Aims and objectives**

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

- promotes a sense of pride, identity, community and cohesion in our school
- identifies the children with the school
- ensures pupils dress appropriately for learning activity
- removes peer pressure to dress in particular fashions
- ensures pupils of all backgrounds share a common identity which embraces their particular requirements
- helps reduce inequalities between pupils and helps reduce some triggers for bullying
- benefits safeguarding and attendance policies through helping to identify truants
- assists identification of strangers on school premises; and
- is considered good value for money by most parents/carers

## **Jewellery & Watches**

For health and safety reasons, we do not allow children to wear jewellery. The exceptions to this rule are simple gold or silver ear-ring studs in pierced ears and wrist watches. Children are required to remove any items during PE lessons to prevent them from causing injury. Please note: Teachers are not permitted to remove earrings. If a child is unable to do this, then for their safety, sticky tape will need to be put over their earrings (parents/carers to provide).

## **Footwear**

For health and safety reasons we do not allow children to wear shoes with platform soles or high heels. All children are required to wear plain black shoes or plain black trainers. If boots are worn these should also be plain black.

## **The Role of Parents/ Carers**

We believe that one of the responsibilities of parents/ carers is to ensure that their child has the correct uniform and PE kit, and that it is clean, in good repair and that the child's name is written on all items. If a parent/carer has difficulties for any reason with fulfilling this request they are asked to speak confidently to a member of staff to discuss the issues. Parents/ carers should be assured that we will do all we can to help. The school welcomes children from all backgrounds and faith communities. If there are serious reasons, for example on religious grounds, why parents/carers want their child to wear clothes that differ

from the school uniform, the school will consider such requests sympathetically. If any parent/carer would like to request a modification to the uniform policy they should, in the first instance, contact the headteacher.

### **The Role of Governors**

The governing body supports the headteacher in implementing the school uniform policy. It considers all representations from parents/carers regarding the uniform policy and liaises with the headteacher to ensure that the policy is implemented fairly and with sensitivity. It is the governors' responsibility to ensure that the school uniform meets all regulations concerning equal opportunities. Governors ensure that the school uniform policy enables children to dress sensibly, in clothing that is hard wearing, safe and practical.

### **Monitoring and Review**

The governing body monitors and reviews the school uniform policy by:

- reviewing feedback from the parents/carers on any issues or concerns raised
- considering, with the headteacher, any requests from parents/carers for individual children to have special dispensation with regard to school uniform

### **School Uniform List**

Noted below are the requirements for uniform. Most items can be bought from High Street shops, there are also versions of items marked with a \* available with the school logo sold at 'Pretty Miss' (school uniform shop).

- Grey skirt/pinafore dress/shorts/trousers
- Green gingham/ striped dress
- White polo shirt\*, either plain or with the Greenmeadow logo
- Green sweatshirt\* or cardigan\*, either plain or with the Greenmeadow logo

Please note skirts should be an appropriate length and of a style which allows children to sit comfortably on the floor.

Shoes should be flat, black and appropriate for school. If trainers are worn these should be plain black without logos. Your child should wear shoes which they can manage to do up independently.

### **Feel Good Friday**

Every Friday pupils are invited to wear clothes of their choice that make them 'feel good'.

### **P.E. Kit**

Children need a change of clothes and footwear for P.E (for health and hygiene reasons) which can be kept at school. All school uniform and P.E. kit MUST be labelled with the child's name. Children can become upset as a result of lost clothing, please help us by naming everything.

### **Children should wear:**

- Black shorts
- Green t-shirt, either plain or with the Greenmeadow logo
- Daps or trainers for outdoor games (we encourage children to work barefoot in the hall)

**For health and safety reasons, children are not permitted to wear earrings for PE.**

For information about the school uniform shop 'Pretty Miss', please follow the link below or ask a member of staff in the school office.

**<http://www.kidsschoolkits.co.uk/>**