

Gladstone Road Primary School Uniform & Appearance Policy

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Rationale

Our uniform shows that we are part of Gladstone Road Primary School. We have the highest expectations from our pupils with regards to school uniform and appearance, and strongly believe that our high standards promote positive behaviour, support effective teaching and learning and contribute to the ethos of the School.

Aims and objectives

The Gladstone Road Primary School uniform aims to:

- identify the children with Gladstone Road Primary School;
- engender a sense of community and belonging to the School;
- instil a sense of pride and loyalty in the School;
- make children feel equal to their peers in terms of appearance;
- is practical and smart;
- prevents children from coming to school in fashion clothes that could be distracting in class;
- is regarded as suitable wear for school and good value for money by most parents;
- is designed with health and safety in mind
- is fair and promotes equality between students of different racial groups.

Guidelines

1. All students should wear the uniform when attending School, when representing the School or when participating in an event organised by the School outside of school hours.
2. We ask all parents who send their children to Gladstone Road Primary School to support the School Uniform & Appearance Policy. Parents should send their children to school dressed correctly, ready for their daily schoolwork, ensuring that the uniform is clean and in good repair.

3. All staff at Gladstone Road Primary School should support the School Uniform & Appearance Policy by promoting and maintaining high expectations with regards to uniform and appearance in lessons.

4. The Governing Body is responsible for implementing the School Uniform & Appearance Policy. It liaises with the Headteacher to ensure that the policy is implemented fairly and with sensitivity, and that it meets all regulations relating to equal opportunities.

5. Gladstone Road Primary School welcomes children from all backgrounds and faith communities. If any parents would like the School to modify the uniform policy (e.g. on religious grounds), they should make a written representation in the first instance to the Headteacher - the Governing Body will consider such requests sympathetically.

6. Parents of pupils who persistently do not wear the correct uniform will be contacted by the School to inform them of this.

Please note that many retailers sell fashion garments labelled as school uniform but these items do not necessarily meet the School's requirements. If in doubt, please contact the School. All endorsed uniform items are available at 'Rumours' on Victoria Road in Scarborough.

Conclusion

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

Our uniform consists of:

- blue sweatshirt or cardigan embroidered with the school logo (available from Rumours on Victoria Rd)
- black/grey trousers, skirt or shorts
- white polo shirt

Recommended PE kit:

Reception to Year 2: plimsolls, blue shorts, white top

Years 3-6:

- plimsolls/trainers
- blue shorts
- yellow polo top for P.E. embroidered with the school logo (available from Rumours)
- warm additional clothing such as a tracksuit, old jumper etc. is advisable for outdoor winter games.

All clothing should be clearly labelled with your child's name.

Jewellery

On health and safety grounds we do not allow children to wear jewellery in our school. The exceptions to this rule are ear-ring studs in pierced ears, and small objects of religious significance. We ask the children to either remove these objects during PE and games, or cover them with a plaster or surgical tape to prevent them from causing injury. Please note it is Education Authority guidance which states that children wearing earrings should remove them for PE.

Footwear

We require all children to wear sensible shoes, no heels, no flipflops.