Dress Code and Uniform Policy

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At Oliver's Battery Primary and Nursery School we aim to foster a feeling of community within our school. We expect all children to wear school uniform. We believe that it is smart, it gives the school an identity and it gives the child a sense of belonging.
We believe that staff are role models for pupils and should dress accordingly.
We believe that both staff and pupils should dress appropriately for the activities they are undertaking.

If any families would like support to purchase school uniform, please come and speak confidentially to Miss Vittle.

School Uniform

White polo shirt with or without embroidered logo
Red sweatshirt/cardigan with or without embroidered logo
Grey or black trousers/shorts/skirt/pinafore dress

Red and white checked dresses/shorts/skorts - optional summer wear

Black shoes. Plain black trainers are acceptable but boots are not
Socks and tights should be grey, black, red or white

P.E. Uniform – to be worn on PE days only
House coloured T-shirt with or without embroidered logo
(Alternatively, a Red t-shirt may be worn during a phasing out period Sept 2025 – Sept 2027)
Black sports shorts – no logo, not cycling shorts or shorts that are too short
Black jogging trousers or black leggings - no logo,
Trainers – plain coloured

Children should wear their school jumper / school fleece as part of their PE uniform. No hoodies.

Embroidered items of uniform are available from our uniform provider – Direct4logos, who have an online store and a shop in Romsey. Plain items are available to purchase from most supermarkets and department stores. All items of uniform should be clearly marked with your child's name.

Code of Dress
We ask parents **not** to send their children to school wearing:

- Unsuitable shoes e.g. high heels or flip flops, open toed sandals without socks
- Branded clothes
- Make up, nail varnish, temporary tattoos or excessive amounts of hair gel
- Extreme haircuts and styles
- Earrings should be small, plain and covered with tape for PE. Tape must be provided by parents and kept in PE bags.

Art and Craft
For some art and craft activities it is important to protect clothing. Whilst we have some art shirts in school, children may be asked to provide an apron or old shirt for this purpose.

Hair
All children with long hair should have it tied back neatly. This is ESSENTIAL for P.E.

Jewellery
Pupils may wear watches (not smart watches), but we do not believe that jewellery is suitable for the school day.
The DFE advises that jewellery should not be worn during PE sessions except by children with pierced ears who should wear 'sleepers' or small studs; these should be taped to avoid accidents
Any pupil wearing pierced earrings must be able to remove and replace them themselves and children should be able to apply tape themselves. The safety of our children is our first priority.

School staff will accept no responsibility for the safe keeping of watches or jewellery.

Lost Property
It is the responsibility of parents/guardians that all school clothing (uniform, PE kit, coats, scarves, gloves, etc) should be marked with their child's name so that it can be returned to the owner when it is lost. All lost, unmarked clothing will be placed in the lost property bins for pupils and parents to look through. The school reserves the right to dispose of unclaimed lost property if it has been in the school for a considerable time.

Staff Dress
All staff should be mindful that their dress sets an example to pupils. When staff dress smartly, pupils are more likely to follow suit. Staff are therefore expected to exercise professional judgement when deciding what to wear during the course of a normal school day.

- Staff need to be aware of the dangers of wearing open-toed shoes. Flip flops should not be worn.
- For particular activities, such as teaching PE, it sets a good example to pupils if staff wear suitable clothing. For reasons of safety, staff should always change into suitable footwear for PE.

Implementing and Monitoring this Policy
- All staff are responsible for implementing this policy. Pupils should be praised when they are wearing appropriate clothing.
- If children wear inappropriate clothing, make-up or jewellery, the class teacher should discuss the school dress code with them. Parents may need to be contacted to request that they support school policy.
- Staff should inform the headteacher if they feel that standards of dress are deteriorating in their class.