

# Uniform Policy

The Governors of the school believe that a school uniform is an important contributor to the overall success of the school and therefore expect that the school uniform will be worn by all children including those in the Nursery. This policy document will outline:

- The reasons for having a school uniform
- What the school uniform consists of
- Making the uniform accessible
- How the school will deal with non-adherence

The Governing Body will ensure that the school uniform guidelines are included within the Home School Agreement.

## 1. Why having a school uniform is important to Osmani Primary School

The governing body of Osmani Primary School believe that a school uniform is important

- in building the pupils' sense of identity and belonging to the community of the school.
- It instills a sense of pride in the school and supports positive behaviour.
- It is one of the symbols of the ethos of the school and protects children from social pressures whatever their ability, age, disability or gender.
- It reduces expenditure for parents/carers.

There are other advantages to having a school uniform which are important to the governing body such as security. A uniform enables pupils to be identified easily and means that any intruders can be identified swiftly.

## 2. The Role of Parents

We ask all parents who send their children to our school to support the school uniform policy. We believe that parents have a duty to send their children to school correctly dressed and ready for their daily school work.

One of the responsibilities of parents is to ensure that their child has the correct uniform, and that it is clean and in good repair.

The school welcomes children from all backgrounds and faith communities. If there are serious reasons e.g. on religious grounds, why parents want their child to wear clothes that differ from the school uniform, the school will look sympathetically at such requests.

## 3. What the Osmani Primary School uniform consists of:

### **SCHOOL UNIFORM**

<b>BOYS</b>	<b>GIRLS</b>
<p><b>Winter uniform – Autumn &amp; Spring Term</b>            Black trousers (no tracksuits)            White polo shirt (with or without school logo)            Bottle Green sweatshirt with school logo</p> <p>Plain black shoes, black trainers(can have only a small white logo-<b>no other colour is allowed</b>) , or black plimsoll with a <u>firm grip ONLY</u></p> <p><b>Summer uniform – Summer Term (optional)</b>            White Polo Shirt            Black trousers or shorts            Plain black or white sandals with ankle strap</p> <p>The <b>Taqiyah</b> is not a compulsory part of our school uniform, where parents want their child to wear one; it MUST be plain white or black.</p> <p>Only school logos can be worn on the uniform.</p>	<p><b>Winter uniform – Autumn &amp; Spring Term</b>            Black trousers, pinafore dress or skirt (no tracksuits)            White polo shirt (with or without school logo)            Bottle Green sweatshirt or cardigan with school logo</p> <p>Plain black shoes, black trainers(can have only a small white logo-<b>no other colour is allowed</b>) , or black plimsoll with a <u>firm grip ONLY</u></p> <p><b>Summer uniform – Summer Term (optional)</b>            Dark green gingham dress            Bottle Green cardigan            Plain black or white sandals with ankle strap</p> <p>The <b>Hijab</b> is not a compulsory part of our school uniform, where parents want their child to wear one; it MUST be plain white or black with no pins or embellishments.</p> <p>Only school logos can be worn on the uniform.</p>
<p><b>Face/Body</b>            No facial piercing allowed except a stud earring in the earlobe            No body art allowed including tattoos</p> <p><b>Hair</b>            All children, girls and boys, are requested to tie hair up where it is long enough to do so. This is for both health and safety reasons and to look smart and ready for school. Hair must be tied up in PE. In swimming we request that children wear a swimming cap or tie long hair up.            Non regulation hairstyles are not part of school uniform and should not be worn.</p>	

<p>These include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Patterns cut into the hair</li> <li>■ Hair that is long in parts and very short elsewhere</li> <li>■ Hair that has been spiked up</li> <li>■ Hair dyed, either wholly or partly, in a non-natural hair colour</li> </ul>
<p><b>Jewellery</b></p> <p>For safety reasons, please do not allow your child to wear any jewellery such as necklaces, to school, except <b>studs earrings</b>.</p> <p>Additionally, any item of jewelry that can ‘catch’ should not be worn to school e.g bracelets etc</p>
<p><b>PE KIT</b></p> <p>Plain white T-shirt with long or short sleeves  Black shorts/leggings (Summer) or joggers/leggings (Winter)  Trainers <b>NOT</b> football boots</p> <p><b>The Hijab and Taqiyah cannot be worn during PE for health and safety reasons.</b></p>

#### 4. Accessibility to school uniform

The governing body recognises the need to ensure that the uniform is affordable and will work with the school to ensure schemes such as good as new sales are in place and well publicised. The school will also ensure that parents or carers where necessary know about any local authority schemes that can provide school clothing grants or other help towards the cost of school clothing.

The governing body recognises its obligations to accommodate reasonable religious requirements within the official school uniform and to ensure it is not discriminatory on the grounds of gender, race, religion or belief.

#### 5. The Role of Governors

The Governing Body supports the Headteacher in implementing the school uniform policy. It considers all representations from parents regarding the uniform policy and liaises with the Headteacher to ensure that the policy is implemented fairly and with sensitivity.

Governors ensure that the school uniform policy helps children to dress sensibly, in clothing that is hardwearing, safe and practical.

It is the Governors’ responsibility to ensure that the school uniform meets all regulations concerning equal opportunities.

#### 6. Non-Adherence

The governing body will insist that the school is considerate and discreet when trying to establish why a pupil is not adhering to the school’s uniform policy.

In the first instance, parents will **receive a telephone call from the school** if their child is not wearing correct and appropriate school uniform/footwear.

Parents will be expected to bring in the correct uniform/ footwear.

If you are experiencing financial difficulties, please make an appointment to meet with the Headteacher.

The school will work with parents and carers to find acceptable solutions that will help the pupil adhere to the uniform policy.

Whilst the Head teacher may discipline pupils appropriately for non-adherence to the policy, exclusion from the school will not be deemed appropriate action unless non-adherence is **persistent and defiant**.

***This policy should be read in conjunction with:***

- Admissions Policy
- Inclusion Policy
- Single Equality Policy
- Home-School Agreement
- Behaviour Policy

**Last review date: Summer term 2017**

**Next review date: Summer term 2019**

## APPENDIX 1 – Standard letter to parents

Date: .....

Dear Parent/Carer,

### RE: School Uniform

**Child's name:** ..... **Class:** .....

We noticed that your child did not wear/has not been wearing the appropriate uniform/ footwear to school.

They were wearing----- which does not conform to our uniform policy.

I'm sure you will appreciate the many advantages of our uniform policy, both at home and at school.

#### **As our policy states:**

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I would therefore be very grateful if you could make sure that send your child/ren to school wearing the appropriate school uniform or footwear as per the school's uniform policy.

If you are experiencing financial difficulties, please make an appointment to meet with the Headteacher to discuss how the school can support you.

I thank you for your continued co-operation with all school policies and procedures as these are designed with your child's best interests at heart.

**Please see overleaf for acceptable items for our school uniform.**

Yours Sincerely

Remi Atoyebi  
Headteacher

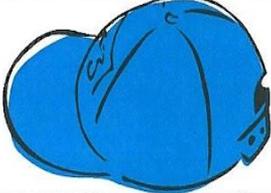
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<p>The headscarf or Taqiyah is not part of the school's uniform policy, however, if your child/ren will be wearing one, please see below:</p>  <p><b>Girls: Plain Black OR White Pull-On scarf</b> <b>Boys: Plain White OR Black Taqiyah</b></p>	 <p><i>No other colour, no throw-over scarf, no embellishment like beads/sequins and No Pins</i></p>
 <p><i>Only Black or Black with little white shoes</i></p>	 <p><i>No other colour</i></p>
 <p><i>Sensible Haircut</i></p>	 <p><i>No Patterns or Mohicans</i></p>
 <p><i>Green Gingham Dress/Plain Black Dress</i></p>	 <p><i>No Other colour dress.</i></p>

## Summer Uniform & Safety Reminders

	<p>You should apply <b>sun screen</b> cream to your child before they come to school in the morning.</p>
<p>Please send your child to school with a <b>clear, labelled bottle of cold water every day</b>, (if you put it in the freezer overnight it will stay cold all day).</p> <p><b>NO JUICE, FIZZY or POWER DRINKS PLEASE</b></p>	
 <p>Please do not let your child wear flip flops or shoes without heel-straps to school.</p>	 <p>Make sure your child wears <b>sensible flat strapped sandals</b>. (This <b>MUST</b> be black or White)</p>
<p>Encourage your child to wear a <b>cap/sunhat outside</b>. This helps to keep the sun off their head or face and stops them getting overheated.</p>	
	<p>Your child can wear the <b>green and white checked dress or white polo shirts and black trousers or shorts</b>. Please make sure all clothing has your child's name on it as at this time of year it often gets lost!</p>
<p>Scooters and Bicycles are <b>not</b> allowed in the playground. Children <b>must</b> come off their scooters and bicycles before they enter the school grounds.</p>	