Uniform Policy

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1. Introduction

We at Meadows School understand that uniform can be a cause of upset and conflict within school. It is our intention to remove barriers to learning by having a simple and expansive uniform policy.

2. Provide

We ask that parents/carers provide their child with:

- 2 pairs of dark grey or black school trousers – plain black jogging bottoms are acceptable for students with sensory issues.
- 1 pair of plain black shoes or trainers (no coloured flashes)
- 1 warm, waterproof coat or jacket
- PE kit (T-shirt, shorts/jogging bottoms and trainers)

3. Optional

We ask that parents/carers discussed with their child and provide these items if desired:

- Dark grey or black school shorts (knee-length)
- Black or grey skirts (knee-length)
- Spare trainers for school activities (to be kept in the tutor room)

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- 1 black or dark grey jumper/sweatshirt – please note that hoodies are allowed, but not encouraged, as hoods must be kept down.
- White shirts (if your child does not wish to wear the polo shirts provided).

4. Non-uniform

On Fridays, if they choose, students are invited to wear their own clothes instead of uniform.

Students in Year 11 and above can choose to wear their own clothing all-year round, providing that they have sought permission from the appropriate Phase Lead or Principal.

Wearing your own clothes to school comes with some boundaries.

We request that students wear clothing that is non-revealing, maintains modesty, avoids inappropriate images or slogans. Pyjamas and nightwear are not appropriate dress for school.

It is expected that students wear clothes that might be considered appropriate in a work place or suggest students are "ready to learn".

We have high expectations of our students and are intending to prepare young people for life in modern Britain.

5. Supplied

On the day of admission, Meadows School will provide the following items for your child (free of charge):

- 4 white short-sleeved polo shirts/t-shirts
- 2 black sweatshirts

6. Be Aware

Please be aware of the following:

- All items of clothing should be clearly labelled with your child's name.
- Whilst piercings are allowed, only studs are permitted for Health and Safety reasons.
- Uniform should be an appropriate fit and length.

If your child is unable to wear their uniform due to circumstances beyond their control (for example, an item is damaged and requires replacing), please make their Tutor or the school's Pastoral Team aware as soon as possible.

7. Any Questions

We are happy to discuss any issues or queries regarding our uniform policy via the school's Pupil Council or by parents/carers contacting the school directly via email (enquiries@meadowsschool.org.uk) or telephone (01892 529144)

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