## Maple Primary School Uniform Policy

At Maple Primary School we believe that the wearing of a school uniform creates a sense of community, belonging and pride amongst our children and ensures that every child is wearing suitable clothing for the school environment and feels equal to their peers in terms of appearance. We believe that this has a positive impact on their behaviour for learning.

Our school will be considerate to the needs of different cultures, races and religions in the implementation of this policy.

## Expectations

It is expected that children wear the correct school uniform every day with appropriate footwear as detailed below.

Children are required to keep their PE kit in school at all times and take it home at weekends or school holidays to be washed.

All items of school clothing should be clearly labelled with the child's name.
If there is a legitimate reason why a child cannot wear the uniform or requires special dispensation then a letter clearly explaining these reasons must be given to the Headteacher.

## Daily Uniform List

Red polo shirt (school logo preferred)
Grey pinafore, skirt or culottes
Grey school shorts or trousers (no leggings)
Green school sweatshirt/jumper or cardigan (school logo preferred)
Plain, black school shoes or black trainers (no open toed sandals, sliders, ballet pumps, crocs or fashion footwear)

Grey, red or green tights
Grey, or white socks
Red or green gingham summer dress (Optional)
No long or short sleeved tee shirts to be worn under Maple red tee-shirts

## PE Kit

Green shorts
Red t-shirt (school logo preferred)

Some pupils may still be wearing the old white $t$-shirt and red shorts until they outgrow them.
Trainers for outdoor PE.
Tracksuits/ warm clothing must be worn for cold weather (red school hoodie and green jogging bottoms can be worn)

## Jewellery, Hair and Make-up

Jewellery cannot be worn except small stud earrings and watches. Watches must be removed and stud earrings taped over for safety reasons during PE.

Hair should be kept clean and tidy and should not be worn in any extreme style. Long hair should be fastened or tied back neatly with simple small hair fastenings in school colours (fashion accessories are not permitted). Hair should not be shaved below a grade 2 (No patterns or tramlines should be shaved into the hair).

Nail polish must not be worn in school. Pupils must not wear make-up in school.

## Other Items

Green Maple fleeces may be worn as an additional outdoor layer but are not to be worn inside school.

Children should have a warm and weatherproof coat to wear to school during the winter months.

Book bags with the school logo are recommended for the children to bring essential items to school each day.

## Breach of Uniform Policy

If pupils consistently wear the incorrect school uniform to school, parents will be made aware of the breach of the policy and given a reasonable amount of time to amend the uniform. The school will support families wherever possible to provide the correct uniform and no child will be made to feel uncomfortable, nor discriminated against, because their parents cannot provide them with the right clothing for school.

## Purchase of Uniform

All items of clothing with the school logo can be purchased directly from the PTA. To limit the cost of uniform we have stated a clear colour scheme and plain items without the school logo can be purchased from a range of high street shops if parents prefer.

Second hand uniform is sold through the PTA on a regular basis. We are also able to offer financial assistance to purchase school uniform where families are in receipt of free school meals.

## Accountability

We ask all parents of our school to support the school uniform policy. Parents are responsible for ensuring that their children are correctly dressed for school Children are responsible for ensuring that they wear their uniform correctly

School staff will encourage children to wear their uniformly smartly and will share any concerns with parents

Governors will ensure that school uniform meets all regulations regarding equal opportunities and will support all staff in implementing the policy.

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