



# Uniform Policy

## Netherhall Mead Academy

### Policy Monitoring, Evaluation and Review

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## **Purpose**

At Netherhall Mead Academy, we are committed to providing an inclusive and supportive environment where every pupil can shine. We recognise that some children require clothing that accommodates individual comfort and sensory needs, and we work closely with families to accommodate these on an individual basis. Our approach prioritises comfort, dignity, and privacy, ensuring that no child experiences distress due to clothing-related issues.

As part of our Personal and Social Development (PSD) curriculum, pupils are supported in developing independence with dressing skills and gradually learning to tolerate different types of clothing and footwear. For older pupils, following the Ruby Pathway, we also teach the importance of appropriate clothing for different occasions, e.g. work, physical activity, social activities helping to prepare them for life beyond school.

## **Uniform Requirements**

Where appropriate for the pupils we believe that wearing a school uniform promotes community identity and equality.

### **Daily Uniform (Green From F2 to Year 11)**

- White polo shirt or white button-up shirt
- Green jumper or cardigan (with academy logo can be purchased)
- Grey or black trousers, joggers, skirt, grey/black shorts or Pinafore dress
- Green and white checked dress
- Socks/tights
- Black shoes, trainers or orthotic shoes

### **Daily Uniform (Years 12– 14)**

- Black jumper or cardigan (with academy logo can be purchased)
- Pupils in Years 12-14 are encouraged to express their own individuality, therefore there is no expectation of uniform being worn in these years.
- Year12-14 dress code:
  - No inappropriate slogans on clothing
  - No cropped or strapless tops
  - Hats should be removed in school
  - Shoes need to protect feet and allow for work related, sporting and creative learning
  - Shorts and skirts need to be at least mid-thigh length

**Additional Guidelines**

- All items should be clearly labelled with the pupil's name
- Alternative clothing should be provided for PE lessons including a clean T-shirt, shorts or joggers
- Swimming costumes –provide two
- Provide spare labelled clothing
- A coat or waterproof jacket should be in school daily
- One pair of small sleeper or stud earrings may be worn
- No tongue or facial piercings
- A standard watch not a smart watch
- No acrylic or false nails

**Support for Families**

We are committed to ensuring all pupils can access the option of a uniform. Families requiring financial support may contact the school office confidentially. Second-hand uniform options may be available.

We are very happy to accept pre-worn uniform, in good condition, to support other families.