



Madras V.A. Primary School

'Every child will succeed in a caring and supportive environment'

Madras School Uniform and Appearance Policy

We encourage pupils to wear our school uniform because we believe that if pupils take pride in their appearance, it can influence their attitudes and general conduct in school. It also ensures that everyone is equal.

Our uniform consists of:

- Bottle green sweatshirt or cardigan.*
- Grey skirt or pinafore, of a reasonable length (knee length).
- Grey trousers or shorts, of a reasonable length (shorts knee length).
- Plain white polo shirt* or white formal shirt.
- Green and white check summer dress* of a reasonable length (knee length).
- Grey or green tights or grey, white or green socks. (not over the knee)
- Sensible, black shoes.

NB. Trainers, high heels, open toed, slip on or sling-back sandals and boots are NOT appropriate footwear for school.

Also available, but not compulsory, are fleeces*, light waterproof jackets* and reversible coats*. **For PE Lessons, pupils have the option to wear a Madras bottle green PE hoody ***

Items marked with* are available to buy from our supplier, Sarah's Embroidery, based on Penley Industrial Estate. You can get a price list and order by visiting their web site: <https://shop.sarahsembroidery.co.uk> and entering 'Madras School' into the search facility.

Appearance:

Hair styles should be reasonable for a primary school; no extreme haircuts/styles - haircuts must be blended in - no extreme short back and sides with longer on the top and no hair dyes. Any child with hair longer than shoulder length is expected to keep it tied back. No make-up or nail varnish is to be worn.

For P.E. Lessons, pupils MUST BRING:

Foundation Phase: Slip on plimsolls, bottle green school T-shirt and black shorts.

Key Stage 2: Black shorts, bottle green school PE T-shirt and trainers. In the winter pupils may wear plain black or navy coloured jogging bottoms for PE outside.

For all pupils: Apart from a wristwatch and small stud earrings, jewellery should not be worn for school. Health and Safety Regulations (Safe Practice in Physical Education, School Sport & Physical Activity) state that all jewellery must be removed for all P.E. lessons including swimming lessons. Staff cannot remove earrings and the possibility of loss is high, we therefore suggest that earrings are removed at home and left there on PE days.

Swimming

Provision is made for all KS2 pupils to receive swimming instruction. This is a compulsory subject within the National Curriculum and all children are therefore required to attend. They should be provided with a one piece swimming costume or trunks (**not loose swim shorts**), a swimming cap and towel on the relevant day. If you consider that your child is fit to be in school, then they are also fit to swim. Spectators are not allowed on the poolside and we have no provision in school to look after sick children.

Any exception to the School Uniform and Appearance Policy must be agreed by the headteacher.

If the school uniform is not adhered to then parents/carers will be contacted to rectify the situation.

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Signature _____ Headteacher

Signature _____ Chair of Governors