

# GILBERT INGLEFIELD ACADEMY



# UNIFORM POLICY

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**Staff responsible:** Senior Leadership Team

## 1. Uniform Expectations

We are proud to be a smart, uniformed school. Our uniform is a symbol of our collective identity and our school values. A high standard of uniform is expected at all times, throughout the school day, on the way to and from school and on school trips (unless students are instructed otherwise).

Please see below our uniform expectations for all students. Please note that some websites have items in their school section that do not fit our school's uniform policy. School uniform may be ordered from [Wear to School](#). There are also examples of acceptable uniform on that website.

### School Uniform

- White school polo shirt (we ask that students have one school polo shirt (with a purple stripe through the collar) for school photos and trips)
- Purple school sweatshirt/cardigan with the school logo
- Mid grey or charcoal grey knee length skirt or tailored trousers/shorts (*Trousers must not be fashion trousers, leggings, jeans or narrow at the ankle: the hem width should be at least 18cm seam-to-seam. Skirts may be A-line or pleated but without side slits and not of a stretchy fabric*)
- White, grey or black socks or tights
- Plain black leather school shoes (including black leather polishable trainers) or ankle boots (*shoes must not be fabric or sports trainers or ballet-style pumps and should have heels of no more than 2cm height; all shoes must be waterproof and protect the top of the foot.*)

### PE Kit

- Short sleeved purple & black sports shirt with school logo
- Black shorts or skort (no cycling shorts)
- Plain black football socks
- Trainers (running style NOT plimsolls or baseball boot style & no black soles)
- Football boots with studs or Astro boots
- Shin pads (essential for hockey and football)
- Gum shield (essential for hockey and rugby)

### Optional extras:

- Sports leggings may be worn but they must be non-see through. We are happy for shorts to be worn over the top.

- Long sleeve rugby-style top in purple & black with school logo
- Plain black tracksuit bottoms may be worn over shorts in cold weather.
- Black gloves and black beanie-style hat for cold weather
- School hoodie/Sports Leader hoodie
- Black waterproof jacket to wear over hoodie in inclement weather
- Sports/gym bag with school logo

## 2. Uniform Rules

- Hair bands and slides must be suitable for school.
- One set of plain metal ear studs (one stud only in each earlobe) and a watch may be worn. Hoop and drop earrings are not allowed. No other jewellery (e.g. rings, necklaces) or body piercing may be worn.
- Smart watches are not allowed to be worn in school.
- Pupils are not allowed to wear make-up of any kind, including nail varnish and false nails, and coloured or “dip-dyed” hair is not permitted.

## 3. Outdoor Wear

- All students should have a sensible waterproof and warm outdoor coat.
- No other sweatshirt, jumper, pullover, hoodie, cardigan or tracksuit top etc. is permitted to be worn under or instead of a coat.
- Coats may not be denim, leather or bomber jackets. They should not display large logos.
- Coats are not to be worn at any time in the classroom
- Coats do not have to be dark in colour; indeed, bright and reflective coats are encouraged for safety reasons
- Gloves and hats may be worn in winter, and a sun hat in summer, to and from school and at break and lunch time but must be removed once inside. Coat hoods must not be worn up inside.

## 4. Non Uniform Day Rules

- On non uniform days, students are expected to wear clothing suitable for a day's work at school.
- The normal rules regarding jewellery and make up still apply.
- Students should not wear cropped tops where the midriff can be seen or low necklines.
- Students should not wear flip flops, Crocs or unsecured sandals as such footwear could be a safety hazard.
- PE kit should still be brought in on a non uniform day if a PE lesson is scheduled for that day.

## 5. Sanctions for incorrect uniform

If a student arrives at school without the correct uniform, or isn't following our uniform rules during the school day, then they will be provided with school issued uniform as a replacement for the day (which will be returned). If they do not want to wear this, the school will contact parents to ask them to bring in suitable uniform. If this cannot be provided, pupils will attend an alternative location for their learning until the uniform is correct.

In extreme cases where students persistently fail to follow our uniform rules, they may be issued with a fixed term suspension. Incidents of failing to follow instructions and persistent defiance are already part of our behaviour policy.

## 6. Equipment for Learning

School equipment (stationery) is also part of our uniform policy and needs to be brought to school on a daily basis.

- Blue or black pen (a biro only for Key Stage 3 students or unless student is left handed)

- Pencil
- Pencil sharpener
- Ruler 6"/15cm
- Protractor
- A pair of wired, in-ear earphones
- Green pen (may be a biro) for responding to marking
- Rubber
- Coloured pencils
- Glue stick
- Calculator

When students do not have the correct equipment; their parents will be telephoned to inform them and asked for the correct equipment to be in school the next day. Again, support can be given to help parents with this situation.

## **7. Uniform Rules Poster**

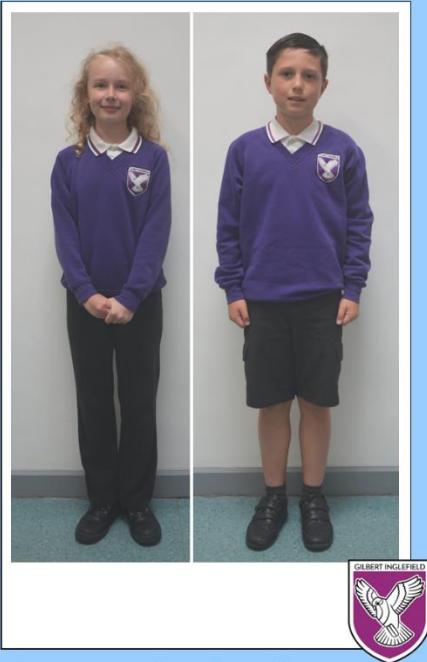
Please see our Uniform Rules poster on the next page. This poster is displayed in every classroom for guidance.

## **8. Parental Support**

We expect parent(s)/carer(s) to support us in maintaining high standards of uniform. If for any reason a parent/carer is unable to provide uniform due to financial difficulties, we may be able to help. Please contact the school, in confidence, as a matter of urgency and ask to speak to the Head of Year. We keep some uniform items which are laundered and ready to wear. These items may be borrowed for a limited period. We regularly update our stock, so there is no reason why any student should be out of uniform.

Students for whom we receive Pupil Premium funding will be supported with the purchase of school uniform, PE kit and equipment.

# Our Uniform Rules



Correct school uniform



Correct PE kit



- **NO body piercings apart from one set of plain metal ear studs (one stud only in each earlobe).** 
- **NO jewellery apart from a watch (NOT a smart watch).** 
- **NO dyed hair, make-up, nail varnish or gel nails.**

