

Park Community School Uniform - September 2024

At Park Community School our school uniform is used to help create a strong sense of belonging. It helps students to be proud to be part of Park and creates a clear identity for our school.

School uniform items are designed to balance smartness, practicality and reasonable cost. School uniform providers take time to ensure the quality of their clothing is hard wearing and can cope with many washes. PE kit is used to ensure children's hygiene is maintained so is different to the main uniform.

We limit branded items to help reduce the cost and give students and parents choice.

Required Uniform

- Black Park blazer must be worn by all students each day to school and around the school. (Park jumpers may be worn under blazer, but not in place of blazer.)
- White long or short sleeved shirt (not a polo shirt) with collar for tie, which must be worn tucked in.
- Black trousers, shorts or box pleat skirt.
- Black plain outdoor shoes (no logos allowed), sensible heels only.
- Coloured tie for each year group, as shown. Provided at the start of the school year.
- House badge to be worn on blazers. This will be given to students on their first day and should be worn on the left lapel.



Optional Uniform

- Sweater/jumper - black with logo.
- Sleeveless sweater/jumper –black with logo.
- Polo shirt – white with logo in family colour (summer only: May-July).
- Tailored shorts – black and of a length that the school deems reasonable - about knee-length.

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Outdoor Coats

Outdoor coats should be dark in colour, e.g. black or navy and should have no large logos. Coats will be removed before students enter the school building. **Note:** hoodies, fur, denim and studded leather jackets are not appropriate as outdoor coats for school and may not be worn around school.

Shoes

Plain black outdoor shoes (no logos allowed), sensible heels only.



Required PE Uniform – Years 7-11

- Park black polo top or Park black t-shirt
- Park PE black hoodie with school logo for outdoor PE lessons in cooler weather



- Plain black shorts, black tracksuit bottoms or black leggings (any supplier)
- Trainers – non-marking sole with laces, providing support to ankle & foot (any supplier)
- In wet weather black sports coats maybe worn

Note: Students will require PE kit for all PE lessons. When unable to participate as a performer they will be coaching, officiating and leading, so are required to change.

Performing Arts

Years 7, 8 and 9

- Park black PE polo top
- Plain black tracksuit bottoms or black shorts

Years 10-11

- Performing Arts tops, as set by the department. Other items to be agreed with teachers of particular courses.

Bag

Students will be expected to bring their books and equipment to and from school every day and must be able to access them easily. This should be a rucksack or similar, not a handbag.

Make Up

- Make up is not permitted in Years 7, 8 or 9
- Light, natural make up may be worn by older students
- False eyelashes are not permitted in any year
- False nails or excessively long nails are not permitted at all

Jewellery

- One pair of earrings (studs or small sleepers – little finger size) and one bracelet
- No visible facial piercings
- No rings or necklaces
- Jewellery must be removed for PE and Performing Arts.

The school takes no responsibility for any lost items.

Tights

Tights must be plain black or opaque (not patterned)

Hairstyles

- Hairstyles should be reasonable.
- For guidance, extremes of fashion and colour are not acceptable and may result in a student being isolated. For example, hair dyed to an unnatural colour, two different colours or tracks cut into hair is unacceptable for school. Hair styled into excessive crests, Mohicans or spikes are also inappropriate. Hair may be coloured a subtle natural shade or styled. Hair should be graduated and not distinctly different lengths.
- Hair should be tied up for practical lessons.
- If in doubt please speak with Ms Bannard, Mrs Pearce, Mr Cavanagh or Mrs Capaldi before dyeing or styling.

Tattoos

- Tattoos and decorative implants are not allowed and should not be seen in school.

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If students are not wearing the correct uniform

Students will not be permitted to attend lessons without the correct uniform.

- **Ties** - We are able to lend these temporarily if a child has lost theirs
- **Blazer** - We are able to lend these temporarily if a child has forgotten theirs
- **Shoes** - We will give a pair of black plimsolls to any child who is temporarily without the correct shoes

Students are likely to be sent home the same day to change if not in correct uniform and then return to school. There will be an expectation that time is made up.

Repeated rule breaking will lead to more severe sanctions.

Parents who are unable to purchase the correct uniform for their child due to financial difficulties should approach the school to seek advice and further guidance.

The final decision on all matters of uniform and personal appearance rests with the Headteacher and Head of School.

Park Community School has one official supplier of uniform. This is Skoolkit.

Uniform supplier – Skoolkit	Contacting us is easy
Step 1 Get online and log onto www.skoolkit.co.uk	Visit us: Skoolkit, 31 Meridian Centre, Elm Lane, Havant, Hampshire, PO9 1UN Telephone: 02392 455795 Opening hours: 9.00am - 5.30pm Monday - Fridays 9.00am - 5.00pm Saturdays
Step 2 Register/Sign in	Email us: enquiries@skoolkit.co.uk
Step 3 Place your order to be delivered to your door	Call us: Web-order Hotline 023 80 651278

DfE Guidance on School Uniforms (September 2013) states:

Pupil non-compliance

Teachers can discipline pupils for breaching the school's rules on appearance or uniform. This should be carried out in accordance with the school's published behaviour policy. A head teacher, or a person authorised by the head teacher, may ask a pupil to go home briefly to remedy a breach of the school's rules on appearance or uniform. When making this decision schools need to consider the child's age and vulnerability, the ease and time it will take, and the availability of the child's parents. This is not an exclusion but an authorised absence. However, if the pupil continues to breach uniform rules in such a way as to be sent home to avoid school, or takes longer than is strictly necessary to effect the change, the pupil's absence may be counted as an unauthorised absence. In either case the pupil's parents must be notified and the absence should be recorded. If a school is considering excluding a pupil in response to breaches of uniform policy then this must be in line with the legal requirements for exclusion.