

## Uniform Policy

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### 1. Introduction

It is our school policy that all children wear school uniform when attending school, or when participating in school-organised events outside normal school hours.

We ask children to wear their shirts tucked into their skirts or trousers and to take a pride in their personal appearance. Some items of uniform can be bought from our school provider, whilst others are easily available, at very competitive prices, at local shops including supermarkets. This policy includes a complete list of the items needed for school uniform including those for Physical Education. We do hold in school some preloved and/or donated uniform which you are welcome to use. We also have an opportunity fund to support the purchasing of school uniform, if you need this please do speak to a member of the office staff.

### 2. Aims and objectives

Our policy on school uniform is based on the belief that school uniform:

- promotes a sense of pride in our school;
- helps to create a sense of community and belonging towards the school;
- identifies the children with the school;
- supports our commitment to inclusion;
- prevents children from wearing 'fashion clothes' that could be distracting in class;
- is practical, smart and designed with health and safety in mind;
- is considered good value for money by most parents;

We believe that no school uniform should be so expensive that it leaves pupils or their families feeling unable to apply to, or attend, a school of their choice due to the cost of the uniform.

Parents should be able to buy most uniform items from a wide range of shops. School branding is always optional for our parents/carers.

### 3. Jewellery, Hair Ornaments, Make-up and Nail Varnish

For health and safety reasons we do not allow children to wear jewellery. The exceptions to this rule are ear-ring studs in pierced ears, and small objects of religious significance. Children are not to wear any jewellery on PE days. Hair bands, ribbons/bows or 'scrunchies' should be small and plain, preferably in navy or black. Hair bands should not have large flowers/bows etc attached. Make up and nail varnish should not be worn to school unless for an out of school hours function, for example a school disco. Extreme hairstyles are not appropriate for school. The use of styling products should be kept to a minimum and children should not have decorative patterns cut into their hair or have hair coloured or dyed.

### 4. Footwear

For health and safety reasons we do not allow children to wear shoes with platform soles or high heels. All children are required to wear plain black shoes for school and plain trainers without logos for PE as stated in the uniform list within the school prospectus.

### 5. The Role of Parents/ Carers

We believe that one of the responsibilities of parents is to ensure that their child has the correct uniform and PE uniform, and that it is clean, in good repair and that the child's name is written on all items. If a parent has difficulties for any reason with fulfilling this request they are asked to speak confidentially to a senior member of staff to discuss the issues. Parents should be assured that we will do all we can to help. Children who arrive at school wearing non-school uniform clothing will be loaned an appropriate item from our lost property store to wear for that day.

The school welcomes children from all backgrounds and faith communities. If there are serious reasons, for example on religious grounds, why parents want their child to wear clothes that differ from the school uniform, the school will consider such requests sympathetically. If any parent would like to request a modification to the uniform policy they should, in the first instance, contact the headteacher.

#### **6. The Role of Governors**

The governing body supports the headteacher in implementing the school uniform policy. It considers all representations from parents regarding the uniform policy and liaises with the headteacher to ensure that the policy is implemented fairly and with sensitivity. It is the governors' responsibility to ensure that the school uniform meets all regulations concerning equal opportunities. Governors ensure that the school uniform policy enables children to dress sensibly, in clothing that is hardwearing, safe and practical.

#### **7. Monitoring and Review**

The governing body monitors and reviews the school uniform policy through its committee work by:

- seeking the views of parents, to ensure that they agree with and support the policy;
- considering, with the headteacher, any requests from parents for individual children to have special dispensation with regard to school uniform;

#### **8. School Uniform List**

Grey trousers or shorts

Grey skirt

Plain light blue long or short sleeved blouse

Light blue long or short sleeved shirt with school tie

Navy blue V-necked jumper with school badge

Light blue gingham dress in summer months

White/ grey socks. Grey tights.

Black shoes (Not trainers or trainer type shoes. No boots)

Appropriate coat to suit the season. Our uniform shop does have a coat with our logo which is reasonably priced.

Our uniform shop does sell other optional items with our school logo on for example bags, water bottles and hats which you may wish to purchase.

#### **9. P.E. Uniform**

We allow the children to wear their PE uniform to school all day on PE days. Your child's teacher will advise you of the PE days

Plain white polo top with school badge/ or their house T-Shirt

Black shorts

Grey or white socks

Training shoes.

Navy tracksuit for cold weather. No hoodies are allowed due to health and safety reasons.

School tracksuits are available from our uniform supplier One Stop School Gear should you wish to purchase one but these are optional.