

Uniform Policy

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Chair of Governors

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Introduction

It is our school policy that all children wear our school uniform, or when attending events outside school. We believe that children look smart and they have a sense of pride.

Aims and objectives

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

- **Promotes a sense of pride in our 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 parents.**

Jewellery, watches, make-up and false nails

For health and safety reasons we do not allow children to wear jewellery. The exceptions to this rule are small ear-ring studs in pierced ears, which must be removed for any P.E. activity to prevent children from hurting themselves. Children must be able to remove their own earrings as any adult will not be able to remove them. Wrist watches may be worn but only for the purpose of telling the time, Smart watches are linked to mobile phones and are not permitted. Small objects of jewellery of religious significance may be worn.

Hair bands and ribbons/bows can be worn but must be plain in colour and not have large objects on them i.e. flowers, animals on them. Make-up must not be worn for school at any time, including false nails. Extreme hairstyles are not appropriate for school, including having their hair coloured or hair colour sprays. We also advise that children should not have decorative patterns or tram lines cut into their hair. For health and safety reasons all long hair should be tie back to prevent the spread of head lice and all hair tie up for any P.E. activity.

Footwear

For health and safety reasons we do not allow children to wear footwear with high heels or platforms. We require children to wear black shoes or black trainers with no logos, if children wear boots we asked that they are black and plain also. We require the children to have a change of footwear for any PE activity, which also needs to be plain trainers or PE pumps.

The role of the Parents

We believe that one of the responsibilities of parents is to ensure that their child has the correct uniform and PE kit, and that is clean and in good repair and that the child's name is written in all items of clothing. If children arrive in school with non-uniform or inappropriate clothing as a school, we will give them spare clothing to wear for the day. The same system will apply if they have not brought their PE kit into school. The teacher may contact the parent if this happens on a regular basis, so we can discuss the matter and help if needed. If a parent has difficulties in fulfilling this request, please talk to a member of the senior team who will be there to support and help discuss any issues a parent has. The school welcomes children from all backgrounds and faith communities, so if the child has to make a slight modification to the uniform due to their religious beliefs the school will consider such requests.

The role of the Governors

The governing body role is to support the Headteacher in implementing the school uniform policy. It considers all views from parents and school to make sure the policy is fair and implemented with sensitivity. It is the governor's responsibility to make sure the policy is meeting all regulations concerning equal regulations. The governors make sure all children are dressed in clothes that are hard wearing, safe and practical.

Monitoring and Review

The governing body will review and monitor the school uniform policy through their committee by:

- **Supporting the Headteacher and Senior Leadership Team and gaining their views with consultation**
- **Working with parents to gain their views and support the policy.**

The following information has been agreed by our school governors. We ask that children come to school in the school uniform as detailed below:

- **Navy sweatshirts or cardigans**
- **White or navy polo shirt**
- **Trousers or skirts can be black or navy**
- **Navy gingham dresses in the warmer months can be worn**
- **Plain black shoes or trainers can be worn, no logos on them.**

PE & Games

- **Pale blue or white t-shirts**
- **Black or navy shorts**
- **PE pumps or trainers with no logos on them**

We have a supplier that you can order polo shirts, sweatshirts, cardigans that have the school logo on them. These can be ordered via the school office.