



## **Introduction**

It is our school policy that all children wear our compulsory school uniform when attending school, or when participating in school-organised events outside normal school hours. We ask children to wear their polo shirts tucked into their skirts or trousers and to take a pride in their personal appearance. Most items of uniform can be bought from school and polo shirts may also be purchased from Tesco ([www.tesco.com/ues](http://www.tesco.com/ues)). A complete list of the items needed for school uniform including those for Physical Education are detailed in the school uniform section.

## **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 their 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;

## **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 earring studs in pierced ears, and small objects of religious significance. Children are required to remove any items during PE lessons to prevent them from causing injury. Please note: Teachers are not permitted to remove earrings. Hair bands, ribbons/bows or 'scrunches' should be plain navy blue. Hair bands should not have large flowers attached. Make up and nail varnish should not be worn to school and extreme hairstyles are also 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.

## **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 without logos as stated in the uniform list. If boots are worn these should also be plain black. If boots are large and prevent children from sitting comfortably on the floor they may be asked to change into their shoes whilst inside the school building. A pair of trainers is also required for outside play/PE.

## The Role of 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 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. Parents will be sent a letter from the class teacher if their child/ren do not have the correct uniform or PE kit in school. Requests to make any adaptations to the school uniform must be made in writing to the Headteacher. Each request will be considered on an individual basis.

## 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.

## 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;

## School Uniform

Our compulsory school uniform consists of:

- Royal blue sweatshirt/cardigan with school logo
- White polo shirt with school logo
- Grey or black tailored trousers/skirt/shorts /pinafore dress **(NO skinny trousers or leggings)**
- Royal blue/white checked Summer dresses (optional)
- PE Kit - royal blue shorts and white T-shirt (with / without school logo).
- In addition, children may also wear navy blue /black jogging bottoms for outside PE in the winter months ONLY.
- Black **shoes** for indoors
- Trainers for outside play/PE
- School coat that is appropriate for school – no logos

School uniform can be ordered online via School Trends or My Clothing.

### **PE Kit**

Children need a change of clothes and footwear for PE (for health and hygiene reasons) and a draw-string bag in which to keep the kit at school. PE kit and PE bags may be bought from the Tesco or School Trends. All school uniform and PE kit MUST be named. Children can become upset as a result of lost clothing, please help us by naming everything. For health and safety reasons children are not permitted to wear earrings for PE. Your child's teacher will advise you when PE lessons take place so that earrings can be removed.

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