



School Uniform Policy

Introduction

It is our school policy that all children wear school uniform when attending school, or when participating in a school-organised event outside normal school hours. We provide a complete list of the items needed for school uniform on our website.

Aims and objectives

Our policy on school uniform is based on the notion that school uniform:-

- promotes a sense of pride in the school
- is practical and smart
- identifies the children within the school
- is regarded as suitable wear for school and good value for money
- is designed with health and safety in mind
- nurtures cohesion and promotes good relations between different groups of pupils

School Uniform

The uniform comprises:

- black or grey trousers or skirt
- red or white polo shirt
- red sweatshirt or cardigan
- black shoes (no trainers)
- no jewellery (including earrings)

The requirements for PE are:

- black shorts
- plain white t-shirt
- black plimsoles

School uniform may be purchased via the SchoolGateway app at any time and is delivered directly to the Academy. The majority of uniform can be purchased from most leading supermarkets at a cost effective price. The school does have some second hand uniform available if needed. We would ask all parents who send their children to our school to support the school uniform policy.

Jewellery

- On health and safety grounds we **do not allow** children to wear jewellery including earrings in our school as we believe it can pose a risk of injury.
- Any piercings to the ears must be done at the start of the 6 weeks holiday to allow for them to heal and be removed by September.

We welcome children from all backgrounds and faith communities. If there are religious grounds for a child to wear non-uniform clothing, we will look sympathetically at such requests.

Human Rights issues

The Human Rights Act 1998 protects the right to manifest one's religion or beliefs. It may be possible for many religious requirements to be met within the school uniform policy and the school will act reasonably in accommodating religious requirements and make a decision on every case at the time.

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 head teacher 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 helps children to dress sensibly, in clothing that is hardwearing, safe and practical.

Monitoring and review

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

- Considering, with the head teacher, any requests from parents for individual children to have special dispensation with regard to school uniform
- Requiring the head teacher to report to the governors on the way the school uniform policy is implemented