

Uniform Policy

Rationale:

We believe that the wearing of a school uniform enables children to identify with their school, gives a sense of belonging, is practical and smart, reinforces a positive work ethos and reduces expenditure for parents/carers.

Aims:

- o All children wear the correct uniform to school
- o Children feel proud to belong to the school
- o Parents/carers share the expectations of the school

Guidelines:

1. It is expected that children wear the school uniform each day, with the appropriate footwear.
2. The school prospectus provides parents/carers with full details and prices of the uniform to be worn.
3. Most items of uniform can be purchased from the school office - see details below.
4. Second-hand items are occasionally available via the school office at prices to be agreed.
5. If a child does not wear the correct uniform, a verbal or written reminder of our expectations will be communicated to the parents/carers (see Appendix 1).
6. If a child arrives at school wearing inappropriate clothing which causes concern (eg unsuitable for the weather, too revealing, offensive/unsuitable slogans, etc) then the school will provide uniform for the child to wear for the day.
7. Make-up is forbidden at all times. Should children come to school wearing make-up they will be asked to remove it.
8. PE kit should be kept in school all week and only taken home at weekends for washing.
9. Long hair should be tied back with a modest sized hair band and/or bobble (no Jojo bows).
10. If a child does not have their PE kit in school, a letter is sent home to the parents/carers.
11. Parents are asked to clearly label every item of school clothing with their child's name.
12. The children are responsible for taking care of their own items of uniform.
13. There are baskets for lost property located in school. Any items left unclaimed are periodically disposed of.
14. If there is any reason why a child cannot wear our uniform or requires special dispensation (eg health or religious grounds) then the governors will consider sympathetically any such request from a parent/carer.

Uniform details: Winter:

- Royal blue school issued sweatshirt, cardigan or fleece
- Plain white polo shirt or blouse
- Black/grey trousers or skirt
- White/ black / grey socks or black/grey tights
- Black shoes

Summer:

- As above or blue/white checked dress or black/grey shorts

PE Kit:

- Plain white T-shirt or school polo shirt
- Plain navy or black shorts
- trainers or plimsolls.
- A tracksuit is also useful for outdoor activities during the winter.

NB On Health and Safety grounds, we do not allow children to wear jewellery to school. The exceptions to this are stud pierced ear-rings. We ask the children to remove these during PE lessons or, if they cannot be removed, to cover them with a plaster brought in from home. This is to prevent them from causing injury.

APPENDIX 1 - Standard letter to parents

Dear Parent/Carer

Date:

Child's name: Class:

We noticed that your child did not wear their uniform to school today.

I'm sure you will appreciate the many advantages of our uniform policy, both at home and at school. As our policy states:

"We believe that the wearing of a school uniform enables children to identify with their school, gives a sense of belonging, is practical and smart, reinforces a positive work ethos and reduces expenditure for parents/carers."

I would therefore be very grateful if you could make sure that they dress appropriately every school day. Our uniform is as follows:

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- Black shoes

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Thank you for your support in this matter.

Yours faithfully