



# School Uniform Policy

Date of next review: Autumn 2024

**This policy applies to the Infant School, including the Nursery, and is underpinned by our Equality and Diversity Statement available on the school web site. The policy will be reviewed to take account of changes to legislation and advice.**

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It is our school policy that all children wear our school uniform when attending school, representing the school, or when participating in a school-organised event outside school hours. Our school uniform is optional for children that attend our Nursery.

## **Aims and objectives**

Our policy on school uniform:

- promotes a sense of pride in the school;
- engenders a sense of community and belonging towards the school;
- identifies the children with the school;
- prevents children from coming to school in fashion clothes that could be distracting in class;
- makes children feel equal to their peers regarding appearance;
- is regarded as suitable wear for school and good value for money by most parents;
- is designed with health and safety in mind.

## **The role of parents**

We ask all parents who send their children to our school to support the school uniform policy. We believe that parents have a duty to send their children to school correctly dressed and ready for their daily schoolwork. One of the responsibilities of parents is to ensure that their child has the correct uniform and that it is clean and in good repair. The uniform should also be practical and easy to care for. We ask parents to name all of their child's items so that they can be returned easily if they become lost.

## **The Policy**

If any parent would like the school to modify the uniform policy, they should make representation, in the first instance, to the Head teacher. 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 look sympathetically at such requests.

## **Role of Governors**

The governing body implements 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.

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## **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 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

## **Nail Vanish and Jewellery**

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. We ask children to remove these objects during PE or games lessons, or to cover them up with a plaster so that they do not cause injury.

## **Haircuts**

We advise that longer hair is tied back, whilst in school. The school does not permit children to have 'extreme' haircuts that could serve as a distraction to other children. Dyed or coloured hair is also not permitted in school. Hair bands or 'scrunchies' should be plain and either black or green.

## **Footwear**

The school wants its pupils to be safe and believe that shoes with platform soles or high heels are dangerous, so we do not allow pupils to wear such shoes. Shoes must be black in colour, no heels, strappy sandals or boots. Trainers may be worn however they need to be black with no lights/trademarks visible.



# Uniform Information

**All items should be named so that they can be easily returned if lost.**

<b>Heads</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Sensible haircuts and hairstyles appropriate for a school environment with no hair dye, shaving, patterns cut in or gel or similar</li> <li>Girls and boys with long hair (shoulder length) need to tie it back. Fringes should not obstruct vision. Plain hair bands, Alice bands and clips should be used and where possible should be in school uniform colours e.g. white, maroon, grey or black. No scarves/ bandanas/ flowers are permitted</li> <li>Religious headwear should be white/maroon/black</li> </ul>	<b>Other Equipment</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Any water bottles with a sports cap to avoid spillages can be used</li> <li>Children should use school book bags which are maroon with the school logo and are available with either a carry handle or shoulder strap.</li> <li>Wellington boots to be kept in school.</li> <li>We provide all stationery, so no pencil cases are required</li> </ul>		
<b>Bodies - Girls</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Polo shirt – plain blue – branded items available</li> <li>Trousers/shorts/skirt/pinafore – grey (no denim, cord or black) - skirts/pinafores should be on or below the knee</li> <li>Summer Dress – Blue check</li> <li>Sweatshirt – Maroon sweatshirt – branded items available</li> <li>Sweatshirt Cardigan Maroon sweatshirt cardigan – branded items available</li> <li>Socks – plain white – ankle length or below the knee. Tights - Grey /Black</li> <li>Shoes – black – leather or patent/ (no heels, strappy sandals, boots) Trainers may be worn however they need to be black with no lights/trademarks visible.</li> </ul>	<b>Muddy Puddles</b>	<p>So that the children can successfully take part in the sessions please ensure that they have the appropriate items from the clothing list. It is essential that children participating in Muddy Puddles have the correct clothing. These clothes need to be brought into school in a named bag which children are then able to change into before their session.</p>		
<b>Bodies - Boys</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Polo shirt – plain blue – branded items available</li> <li>Trousers/shorts– grey (no denim, cord or black)</li> <li>Sweatshirt – Maroon sweatshirt – branded items available</li> <li>Socks - plain grey – ankle length or below the knee socks</li> <li>Shoes -black (no boots) Trainers may be worn however they need to be black with no lights/trademarks visible.</li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Wellington boots to be kept in school</li> <li>Waterproof coat/jacket with a hood</li> <li>Waterproof trousers</li> <li>Thick socks and a spare pair</li> <li>An emergency change of clothes and a carrier bag for dirty/wet clothing.</li> </ul>		
<b>PE Clothes</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Round neck white t-shirt – branded items available</li> <li>Plain maroon shorts</li> <li>Plain black jogging bottoms</li> <li>Plain black sweatshirt</li> </ul>		<table border="0"> <tr> <td data-bbox="1276 1032 1720 1134"> <b>Cold weather</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Woolly hat</li> <li>Scarf/snood</li> <li>Gloves</li> </ul> </td> <td data-bbox="1727 1032 2157 1134"> <b>Warm weather</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Sun hat</li> </ul> </td> </tr> </table>	<b>Cold weather</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Woolly hat</li> <li>Scarf/snood</li> <li>Gloves</li> </ul>	<b>Warm weather</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Sun hat</li> </ul>
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<b>PE Shoes</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Black plimsolls / trainers for outdoor games no lights/trademarks visible.</li> </ul>				
<b>Nails</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No nail varnish is permitted</li> </ul>				
<b>Hats</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Children can use ones from home as long as they are slogan free.</li> </ul>				
<b>Watches</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Inexpensive plain small learning analogue watches are allowed at a parent's discretion and are the child's responsibility but must be removed for PE lessons</li> </ul>	<b>Uniform Suppliers</b>	<p>Our school branded items are available to purchase from: <a href="https://pmgschoolwear.co.uk/">https://pmgschoolwear.co.uk/</a></p>		
<b>Jewellery</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No jewellery please - the only exception is plain stud earrings (which must be removed for PE lessons by children)</li> </ul>		<p>You can purchase school uniforms from alternative outlets, including department stores, supermarkets, and rival local school outfitters</p>		

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