



# Uniform Policy

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## Introduction:

This policy has been developed in consideration of the DfE's September 2013 document, 'School Uniform: Guidance for Governing Bodies, School Leaders, School Staff and Local Authorities', and, to the best of our knowledge it is felt that it does not impact negatively on any specific group or individual within our school community.

It is our school policy that all children wear school uniform when attending school, or when participating in school-organised events outside normal school hours. We ask children to wear their shirts tucked into their skirts or trousers and to take a pride in their personal appearance. Some items of uniform can be bought from school, whilst others are easily available, at very competitive prices, at local shops including supermarkets. A complete list of the items needed for school uniform including those for Physical Education, is printed overleaf.

## 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 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 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 'scrunchies' should be plain and either navy or black. Hair bands should not have large flowers attached.

Make up and nail varnish should not be worn to school unless for an out of school hours function, for example a school disco.

Extreme hairstyles are 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 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 PE shoes whilst inside the school building.

## 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. Children who arrive at school wearing non-school uniform clothing will be loaned an appropriate item from our cleaned lost property items for this purpose.

The same system will apply for children who do not have a PE kit. Parents will be contacted to discuss the matter.

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 consider such requests sympathetically. If any parent would like to request a modification to the uniform policy they should, in the first instance, contact the

Head Teacher. Any articles of clothing worn on religious grounds (such as hijabs or turbans) should be navy.

Parents should also ensure that pupils' names are clearly written inside all items of clothing.

#### The Role of Governors

The Governing Body supports the Head Teacher 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 enables children to dress sensibly, in clothing that is hard wearing, 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 Head Teacher, any requests from parents for individual children to have special dispensation with regard to school uniform;

#### School Uniform List

Our school uniform colour is a combination of grey and navy.

Most items can be bought from High Street shops.

Items marked with a \* below, some of which have the school logo on, are either sold in school or through our uniform supplier, Fashion Stop, located in East Ham. Please speak to our office staff for further details.

#### Uniform:

\*Grey jumper or cardigan with Winsor logo

\*A Winsor tie

White shirt or blouse

Grey shorts/ trousers/ skirt or pinafore dress (not jogging bottoms)

Plain grey socks/ tights (knee length socks should not go above the knee)

Black school shoes (not trainers)

A navy gingham checked dress can be worn in summer accompanied by small white socks.

#### Nursery

\*Winsor sweatshirt

\*Winsor polo shirt

Grey shorts/ trousers/ skirt/jogging bottoms or pinafore dress

Plain grey socks/ tights (knee length socks should not go above the knee)  
Black school shoes (not trainers)  
A navy gingham checked dress can be worn in summer accompanied by white ankle socks

Please note skirts should be an appropriate length and of a style which allows pupils to sit comfortably on the floor. When pupils wear shorts, even when these are worn over tights, they should also be of an appropriate length. Three-quarter, calf length, leggings should not be worn.

Reversible waterproof coats, with the school logo, which are suitable for boys and girls, are also available from Fashion Stop but these are not compulsory.

Please note that children should not wear scarves inside the school building. Shoes should be flat, black and appropriate for school. If trainers are worn, these should be plain without logos. Your child should wear shoes which he or she can manage to do up independently

Please do not send your child to school in shoes which prevent them from running in the playground. If boots are worn these also should be plain black.

#### P.E. Kit

Children need a change of clothes and footwear for P.E (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 school office. All school uniform and P.E. kit MUST be named. Children can become upset as a result of lost clothing, please help us by naming everything.

Girls and boys wear:

- navy blue shorts
- \*a plain t-shirt displaying school logo linked to the colour of their House Team
- a pair of plimsolls – velcro fastenings are essential for younger children
- navy jogging bottoms for outdoor lessons in cold weather.

When in school uniform, pupils should be reminded that they are ambassadors for the school and therefore they should ensure that they meet the school's behaviour expectations.