

Uniform Policy

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Principles:

Our policy is that all children within Kennington should wear clothing that is in keeping with a purposeful learning ethos. We also believe that certain school activities are facilitated by specialised and appropriate clothing (including organised events outside normal school hours).

Aims

Our policy is based on the belief that a school uniform:

- promotes a sense of pride in the school
- engenders a feeling of belonging
- is practical
- identifies the children with the school
- is not distracting in class (as fashion items/clothing might be)
- makes children feel equal to one another in terms of appearance
- reflects the sense both of community and of diversity that the school takes pride in
- is regarded as suitable, and good value for money, by most parents.

Uniform Requirements

Boys (Infants & Juniors)

- Burgundy school sweatshirt with school logo
- White, short or long sleeved shirt
- School tie (elasticated or normal)
- Grey trousers/grey shorts
- Grey socks
- Black sensible shoes (no trainers or trainer style shoes)
- White polo t shirt (summer term only)

Girls (Infants & Juniors)

- Burgundy school sweatshirt or cardigan with school logo
- White short or long sleeved shirt/blouse
- School tie (elasticated or normal)
- Grey skirt/pinafore

OR

- Grey trousers (winter only)
- Blue and white gingham/striped or checked dress (summer term only)
- White socks or plain black/grey tights (white tights, or any type of leggings are not to be worn with the day to day uniform)
- Black sensible shoes (flat heels only, no boots)

PLEASE NOTE: Playsuits/Culottes/Scort/all-in-one dresses with shorts are not permitted. Children should not wear a dress <u>AND</u> trousers underneath. It must be either a dress <u>OR</u> trousers in the Winter.

During the Summer Term, if parents have an issue with modesty, girls may wear a pair of white Lycra style shorts underneath their summer dress. These must not show beyond the bottom of the hem of the dress when standing.

PE and Games Kit

On days when classes have PE lessons, children should come to school in their PE and Games kit which will be worn all day. We want children to look as smart in their PE kits as they do in their school uniform. The minimum correct PE uniform would be the following:

Indoor PE Kit (Girls & Boys)

- Black shorts or black skorts or black PE skirt
- Burgundy PE T-shirt with school logo (available exclusively from school through Parent Pay)
- Plain, black trainers or pumps (no logos or branding)
- Plain socks.

If parents have an issue with modesty, a pair of black Lycra leggings may be worn underneath the shorts or skorts. These should not enclose the foot.

All PE kits should be free from any logo or brand name other than the school logo

OPTIONAL

- Plain, black tracksuit bottoms
- School burgundy hooded top (available from Price and Buckland)

Jewellery/Hair/Nails/Make-up

On health and safety grounds, we do not allow children to wear jewellery to school unless for religious reasons (except watches).

If parents wish their child to have their ears pierced, we ask that it is done at the beginning of the summer holidays in order that they can be removed in September. If ears have been pierced during term time, children should wear the transparent, plastic retainers for 6 weeks and then removed. These are available to purchase from school.

Children should come to school with an appropriate hairstyle, (no patterns, outlandish styles or colours e.g. peroxide, bleached, yellow, pink, red, blue, green etc). <u>All</u> children with hair longer than collar length should have it tied in a ponytail with a single elasticated bobble. We do not allow the wearing of large fashion bows.

False nails, nail varnish and make-up (including mascara) must not be worn in school.

Headwear

We do not allow headwear e.g. hats, baseball caps etc to be worn during class time or inside school buildings, except for religious or medical reasons. If headwear is worn for religious reasons, it should be plain without jewellery attachments and either black or burgundy (mirroring the school uniform colour). It should be tight fitting for PE and Games sessions.

Role of Class teachers and Support Staff

- Set a good example in terms of dress.
- Remember that in our respective roles we serve the local community as a set of professionals.
- To remind children to wear school uniform. The classteacher will speak to children who do not wear the correct uniform. If children continually attend school wearing clothing which is deemed not to be uniform they are to be referred to the key stage leader.

• Role of the Head Teacher

- The Head Teacher is to ensure that pupils comply with the uniform policy agreed by the governing body.
- The Head Teacher has a duty to enforce the school uniform throughout the school community, as part of the duty within maintenance of day to day discipline in the school.
- The Head teacher will speak to the parents of children who persistently do not wear the correct uniform.
- The school will follow the DfE guidelines and not consider exclusion from the school where a pupil fails to comply with the school's rules on uniform.

Role of the Parents/Guardians

- To ensure that their child / children adhere to the school's uniform policy.
- Ensure that they come to school in uniform everyday unless there are special circumstances such as non-uniform days.
- To ensure that all uniform is labelled correctly and clearly.