## Policy: School uniform

## Mission Statement

It is our aim to enable every member of our school family to flourish and live life in all its fullness by:
Teaching a broad and balanced curriculum, holistically nurturing and developing our children, helping those in need through loving service, confronting injustice in our world and caring for creation.

## 1 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 in our school prospectus.

## 2 Aims and objectives

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

- promotes a sense of pride in the school;
- engenders a sense of community and belonging towards the school;
- is practical and smart;
- 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 in terms of appearance;
- is regarded as suitable wear for school and good value for money by most parents;
- is designed with health and safety in mind.


## 3 Jewellery

On health and safety grounds we do not allow children to wear jewellery in our school except a watch. Charity wrist bands will be allowed on certain occasions - these will be communicated to you via the weekly newsletter.

## 4 Hair

The school does not permit children to have 'extreme' haircuts that could serve as a distraction or danger to other children. (No shorter than a Number 2). We also request that long hair is tied back for boys and girls if the hair touches the shoulders or is longer and only plain hair accessories are worn in school colours - black, red and blue. We also do not allow excessive amounts of hair products such as gel or wax to be worn in the hair. This is sometimes waived on dressing up days!

## $5 \quad$ Nail varnish and make-up

These are not permitted.

## 6 Footwear

The school wants all children to grow into healthy adults. We believe that it is dangerous for children to wear shoes that have platform soles or high heels, so we do not allow children to wear such shoes in our school. Neither do we allow children to wear trainers to school; this is because we think that this footwear is appropriate for sport or for leisurewear, but is not in keeping with the smart appearance of a school uniform. We require all children to wear shoes as stated in the uniform list.

## 7 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.

If any parent would like the school to modify the uniform policy, they should make representation, in the first instance, to the Headteacher. 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.

## 8 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 Headteacher 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.

## 9 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 Headteacher, any requests from parents for individual children to have special dispensation with regard to school uniform;
- requiring the Headteacher to report to the governors on the way the school uniform policy is implemented.

| Signed on behalf of the Governors | Mr Tim Dodgson |
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## Uniform List

## Boys - general

- grey trousers or shorts (knee length)
- red logo T-shirt
- royal blue logo sweatshirt
- grey or black plain socks
- black shoes


## Boys PE

Indoor - black shorts, house coloured logo top and black pumps or trainers Outdoor - black tracksuit bottoms (if cold) and trainers

## Girls - general

- grey skirt, pinafore or trousers
- knee length school shorts (must be worn with socks)
- red logo T-shirt
- royal blue logo sweatshirt or cardigan
- white or grey socks
- grey or red tights
- black tights may be worn by Y5 and Y6 girls.
- in the summer term and in September girls may wear a red checked summer dress although worn with white socks
- black shoes

Girls PE
Indoor - black shorts, skorts or skirts, house coloured logo top and black pumps or trainers
Outdoor - black tracksuit bottoms (if cold) and trainers

