



School Uniform Policy

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Section 1

Introduction

It is the school policy that all children should wear school uniform when attending school or when taking part in a school event outside of normal school hours. This policy follows guidance from the government and local authority. It is sensitive to the needs and beliefs of the whole community. The school has considered its duty under the Human Rights Act 1998 and the Equality Act 2010 and will act fairly and reasonably.

Aims

This policy is based on the following principles:

- Our uniform promotes a sense of pride within the children and creates a sense of **community** and belonging.
- The uniform supports positive behaviour and encourages children to live out the school value of **responsibility**, through taking care of their uniform and appearance.
- All children are treated as equals and are encouraged to wear clothes which are comfortable for the school day.
- Our school has a duty to make sure that the uniform we require is affordable, in line with statutory guidance from the Department for Education on the cost of school uniform. We have chosen our school uniform so that families can buy items from a range of retailers. We recognise that items with the school logo can be more expensive and, therefore, this is an optional addition.

Section 2

Expectations

Children need to adhere to our school uniform expectations whilst on school site.

On PE days, children will need to come to school in their PE kit, which should be appropriate for the weather that is forecast on that day.

During school trips, children should wear their school uniform for easy identification, unless other clothing is specified in trip letters.

Parents and carers need to provide their child/children with the uniform detailed below. All uniform can be obtained from The School Uniform Shop (105 Mayflower St, Plymouth, PL1 1SD, 01752 252025) or general suppliers such as supermarkets or high street stores.

Parents and carers must ensure that every item of their child's/children's uniform is clearly labelled with their name, is clean and in good condition.

Parents and carers are encouraged to contact the school office if they would like to lodge any complaints or objections about the uniform requirements. **The school** will work closely with families to arrive at a mutually acceptable outcome.

Staff will monitor pupils to ensure that children are wearing the correct uniform. Where uniform does not follow our specified uniform guidance, staff will discretely inform families and give them adequate time to rectify this. Ongoing issues with uniform will be handled by a member of the Senior Leadership Team. Our Parent Support Advisor may contact families to support with the sourcing of uniform, which might include our school uniform shop.

Governors will review this policy to ensure that it is appropriate for our school's context, takes into account the views of parents and children and offers a uniform which is appropriate, practical, affordable and safe for all pupils.

Section 3

School uniform

Early Years and Key Stage 1 (Foundation, Years 1 and 2)

- Grey pinafore dress, skirt or trousers
- Green or white school polo shirt or white shirt, long or short sleeved with the option of a school tie
- Dark green jumper or cardigan (logo optional)
- Grey shorts for the summer (optional)
- Green check dress for summer (optional)
- Black shoes **NOT** trainers
- Baseball cap for the summer

Key Stage 2 (Years 3 to 6)

- Grey pinafore dress, skirt or trousers
- White polo shirt or white shirt, long or short sleeved, with the option of a school tie
- Dark green jumper or cardigan (logo optional)
- Grey shorts for the summer (optional)
- Green check dress for summer (optional)
- Black shoes **NOT** trainers
- Baseball cap for the summer

PE Kit (all children)

Children will be invited to come to school wearing their PE kit on PE days. This must be the uniform detailed below – no hoodies please. On cold days, school jumpers may be worn over PE t-shirts.

- Plain white cotton P.E. t-shirt – school logo optional
- Navy/black P.E. shorts
- Black plimsolls or appropriate dark coloured trainers
- Dark coloured tracksuit / jogging bottoms for cold days

Section 4

Additional guidance

Hair

All children with hair below shoulder length are required to tie it back for health and safety reasons and to prevent the spread of nits. Hair bands might be provided so that children

can tie their hair back when requested. Hair bands, bows, ties or other accessories should be of a reasonable size and not distracting to children. Hair should be a natural colour.

Jewellery

Children may wear small studs or hoop earrings, sensible wrist watches or medical bracelets. Please do not send children into school with smart watches. We ask the children to remove items of jewellery and watches during PE or cover earrings with a plaster to prevent injury. The school does not accept responsibility for these items once they have been removed. If the item is not removed, the child will not take part in the activity if it is deemed unsafe to do so.

Makeup

We politely ask that children do not wear makeup or nail varnish while at school. If children are wearing nail varnish, they will be asked to remove it at the earliest convenience.

Footwear

Children's footwear should be flat, well-fitted and comfortable for a school day, including lesson time and break and lunch times. Footwear should be suitable for the weather conditions that day. Trainers are not permitted.