

Uniform Policy

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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. The school jumper/cardigan can be bought from the school office, and the other items of uniform are easily available, at very competitive prices, at local shops including supermarkets.

A complete list of the items needed for school uniform is included.

Aims and Objectives

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

- promotes a sense of pride in our nursery school
- helps to create a sense of community and belonging towards the school
- enables children to recognise others who are in the setting and brings familiarity
- identifies the children with the school e.g. when out of school on trips/walks/activities
- supports good behaviour once a child is in uniform they know that a certain standard of behaviour is expected as they link the uniform to the setting
- supports school readiness- as children will be required to wear a uniform once they are attending primary school
- helps with transition to primary school by getting the children into the routine of wearing a uniform, it will not be such a large change when the time to start school comes
- supports our commitment to inclusion
- minimises inequalities in those who have lots of expensive clothing and those who do not
- · is practical, smart and designed with health and safety in mind
- · is considered good value for money by most parents

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. Please note: teachers are not permitted to remove earrings.

Footwear

Shoes should be flat, black and appropriate for school. Your child should wear shoes which he or she can manage to do up independently.

The Role of Parents

We believe that one of the responsibilities of parents is to ensure that their child has the correct uniform, 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 in fulfilling this request, they are asked to speak confidentially to the Headteacher 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 lost property.

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 Headteacher.

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 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 Headteacher, 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 green, yellow and grey. Most items can be bought from high street shops/supermarkets. Items marked with a * below have the school logo on and can be bought from the school office.

- *Green school jumper/cardigan or plain green jumper/cardigan
- Yellow polo shirt
- Grey or black trousers/skirt/pinafore/shorts
- Grey or black socks/tights
- Black school shoes with Velcro fastening (shoes which he or she can manage to do up independently)
- Waterproof coat

ALL ITEMS OF CLOTHING MUST BE NAMED.