

# School Uniform Policy

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## Meeting your communication needs:

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## Introduction

It is our policy that all children should wear school uniform when attending school, or when participating in a school-organised event outside normal school hours.

## Aims and objectives

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

- promotes a sense of pride in the school;
- engenders a feeling of community and belonging;
- is practical and smart;
- identifies the children with the school;
- is not distracting in class;
- makes children feel equal to their peers in terms of appearance;
- is regarded as suitable, and good value for money, by most parents;
- has been designed with health and safety in mind.

## Our School Uniform Comprises of

Navy blue sweatshirts or cardigan\*

Grey pinafore/skirt

Grey/black trousers/shorts

Light blue polo shirt\*

Black flat soled shoes, flat soled boots or closed toe sandals (not trainers)

Blue and white gingham dresses

## PE

Black shorts\* or PE skirts (Black skirts may be worn in KS2)

White tee shirt.

Pumps or trainers.

Please note that during the winter months trainers are advised and tracksuits are permitted.

*\*Items marked with an asterisk are available with school branding from [Woving](#) in Bodmin.. Uniform in our school colours is also available from most high street shops and supermarkets.*

## Jewellery

On health and safety grounds, we do not allow children to wear jewellery in school. The exceptions to this rule are studs in pierced ears, and small objects of religious significance, such as a crucifix on a chain. We ask the children either to remove these objects during PE and games, or to cover them with a plaster.



### **Hair**

The school does not permit children to have haircuts that could serve as a distraction to other children. We also ask that it is of a natural colour and for long hair to be tied back sensibly, so as not to hinder the child during the school day.

### **Footwear**

The school wants all children to grow into healthy adults. We believe that it is dangerous for children to wear shoes with platform soles, high heels or with wheels built into the sole in school, so we do not allow these. Neither do we allow children to wear trainers to school; these are appropriate for sport or as leisurewear but are not in keeping with the smart appearance of a school uniform. We require all children to wear the types of shoes described in the uniform list.

### **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. Parents should 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 reasons, e.g. religious objections, why parents want their child to wear clothes that differ from the school uniform, the school will look sympathetically at such requests. Similarly, should an item of school uniform prove problematic for a pupil with disabilities, then parents are invited to draw this to the attention of the Headteacher.

The school will not treat pupils with disabilities unfavourably.

### **The Role of Governors**

The Local Governing Board supports the Headteacher in implementing the school uniform policy. It considers all representations from parents regarding this 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 national regulations concerning equal opportunities, and that our school uniform policy is consistent with our policy on equal opportunities.

Governors ensure that the school uniform policy helps children to dress sensibly, in clothing that is hardwearing, safe, and practical.

### **Monitoring and Review**

When monitoring this policy, the Governing Board will:



- seek the views of parents, to be sure that they agree with the policy, and support it;
- consider with the Headteacher, any requests from parents for individual children to have special dispensations;
- require the Headteacher to report to the Governors on the way in which the policy is being implemented.



