

## Charlestown Primary School

School Uniform Policy

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. Our policy has been developed taking into account the Department for Education's Cost of School Uniforms guidance

## 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.

Following a review of our school uniform including parent consultations, from September 2022 our school uniform comprises of:

## EYFS Uniform from September 2022

- NEW Red V-neck sweatshirt with logo*(plain red cardigans/sweatshirts are acceptable)
- NEW Red V-neck cardigan with logo*(plain red cardigans/sweatshirts are acceptable)
- Plain white polo shirt
- Grey trousers/shorts OR grey skirt/pinafore dress
- Black/grey/white socks
- Grey tights
- Red and white gingham dress (can be worn Summer term to October half-term)
- Charlestown School Book Bag* (children joining for the first time are given a free book bag initially.
- Optional: red soft-shell jacket*


## Years 1 \& 2 Uniform

- Red School fleece with logo** (plain red cardigans/sweatshirts are acceptable)
- NEW Red School cardigan with logo* (plain red cardigans/sweatshirts are acceptable)
- NEW Plain white polo shirt
- White shirt (phased out for Years 1 and 2 from September 2023)
- School tie (phased out for Years 1 and 2 from September 2023)
- Grey trousers/shorts OR grey skirt/pinafore dress
- Black/grey/white socks
- Grey tights
- Red and white gingham dress (can be worn Summer term to October half-term)
- Charlestown School Book Bag*
- Optional: red soft-shell jacket*

From September 2023

- NEW Red V-neck sweatshirt with logo*(plain red cardigans/pullovers are acceptable)


## Years 3-6 Uniform

- Red School fleece with logo* (plain red cardigans/pullovers are acceptable)
- NEW Red School cardigan with logo* (plain red cardigans/pullovers are acceptable)
- Grey trousers/shorts OR grey skirt/pinafore dress
- White shirt
- School tie*
- Black/grey/white socks
- Grey tights
- Red and white gingham dress (can be worn Summer term to October half-term)
- Charlestown School Book Bag*
- Optional: red soft-shell jacket*


## From September 2023

NEW Red V-neck sweatshirt with logo* (plain red cardigans/pullovers are acceptable)

Items marked with * are available to purchase from Cornwall Screenprint.

## Footwear

Black sensible functional shoes - no trainers please.

## PE

White t-shirt/polo shirt
Black or grey shorts
Trainers

## Forest School

Long sleeved top
Long trousers/tracksuit trousers
Wellies
Waterproof coat and trousers

Information about PE and forest school days is in our newsletter on a weekly basis. Each year group has set days for PE and forest school. For children in Years 2 and above children are to attend school in their PE kit and school jumper on the allocated PE/forest school days, they will not need to bring their uniform.

## Uniform Supplier

Cornwall Screenprint
0172668689

## https://www.cornwallscreenprint.co.uk/

## Second Hand Uniform

Friends of Charlestown Primary School (FOCS) have a supply of second-hand uniform. Please contact FOCS via their Facebook page, email charlestownfriends@kernowlearning.co.uk or contact the school office charlestown@kernowlearning.co.uk

## Help with the cost of uniform

Help with the cost of uniform is available for those children in receipt of free school meals/pupil premium. For further information please look at the Cornwall Council website https://www.cornwall.gov.uk/schools-and-education/schools-and-colleges/school-meals/apply-for-free-school-meals-and-pupil-premium/ Please contact Emily Rowe in the School Office who can advise you on what resources are available.

## 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, Make-up and Nail Varnish

We ask that hair 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. We also ask that children do not wear make-up or nail varnish to school.

## Footwear

We believe that it is dangerous for children to wear shoes with platform soles, high heels or 'wheelies' in school, so we do not allow this.

## 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.

## Equal Opportunities

The school welcomes children from all backgrounds all faiths and none. If there are serious 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 and or SEND, then parents are invited to draw this to the attention of the Headteacher. The school will not treat pupils with disabilities or other protected characteristics 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.

## Monitoring and Review

When monitoring this policy, the Local 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.

