St Newlyn East
Learning Academy

School Uniform Policy

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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. 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.

Our School Uniform Comprises of

Red polo shirt with logo (plain polo shirts are acceptable)
Grey/black pinafore dress OR grey skirt OR grey/black tailored trousers or shorts (no jeans)
Blue gingham summer dress
Navy blue cardigan or pullover with logo (plain cardigans/pullovers are acceptable but no hoodies)
No under armour to be worn please
Black, white or grey socks, grey, navy or red tights

Footwear

Black sensible functional shoes, this includes plain black trainers, without flashing lights.

PE

House team t-shirt with school logo
Black or navy shorts (cotton is advisable)
Red St Newlyn East hoodie with logo (optional in colder weather)

Uniform Supplier

Our uniform supplier is Macron Store, Indian Queens Cornwall - Macron Store South West - Macron Store South West (macronstoresw.com) – branded uniform is not essential, plain navy jumpers/ cardigans and red polo shirts are acceptable alternatives.

Second Hand Uniform

We have a selection of second hand uniform available to families who require it - please ask at the school office for more information. We welcome donations of no-longer needed good quality second-hand uniform to the office.

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.

Alternative Uniform

We place great value on fellowship, family and the wider school community. In support of this, children who are members of community groups such as Cubs, Squirrels, Beavers, Scouts, Rainbows, Brownies, Guides etc are invited to wear these uniforms for specific occasions such as Remembrance. Our aim is that the children take a pride in being part of a community group.

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

The school wants all children to grow into healthy adults. We believe that it is dangerous for children to wear shoes with platform soles or high heels in school, so we do not allow this. We require all children to wear the types of shoe 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.

Equal Opportunities

The school welcomes children from all backgrounds and faith communities. 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, 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.

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.