

Canon Burrows Church of England Primary School

School – Uniform Policy



All of our policies are to be read in conjunction with the equalities policy which takes account of the nine protected characteristics as defined in the Equality Act 2010. They are:- Age, Disability, Gender reassignment, Marriage and civil partnership, Pregnancy and maternity, Race Religion or belief, Sex, Sexual Orientation.

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

Aims and objectives

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

- promotes a sense of pride in the school
- engenders a sense of community and belonging towards the school
- is practical and smart

- identifies the children with the school
- prevents children from coming to school in fashion clothes that could be distracting in class
- makes children feel equal to their peers in terms of appearance
- is regarded as suitable wear for school and good value for money by most parents
- is designed with health and safety in mind

Our uniform consists of:

- Blue sweatshirt or cardigan, preferably with school emblem although not essential
- Grey skirt, tailored shorts or trousers (NOT tracksuit bottoms)
- Yellow polo shirt, preferably with school emblem although not essential
- Yellow or blue checked summer dress
- Grey or black socks or tights

Jewellery

On health and safety grounds we do not allow children to wear jewellery in our school. The exceptions to this rule are ear-ring studs in pierced ears, and small objects of religious significance. Pupils may also wear an appropriate watch, as and when they are able to tell the time competently. We ask the children to either remove these objects during PE and games, or cover ear-rings with a plaster (provided by the parent), to prevent them from causing injury.

Hair

Long hair should be tied back.

Footwear

We require all children to wear flat black shoes. Pupils may also wear smart black boots in the winter.

If your child is unable to tie shoelaces please only buy shoes with Velcro fasteners.

Wellies are permitted in wet weather for outdoors but children must bring another pair of shoes for indoor wear.

PE Kit

For indoor PE lessons pupils must have black or blue shorts, a yellow t-shirt and pumps.

In addition to their indoor PE kit, for outdoor PE lessons pupils must have suitable blue trousers (e.g tracksuit bottoms or leggings) and a long sleeved blue sweatshirt.

Swimming kit – Boys must have trunks, no knee length or loose fitting shorts

Girls must have a one piece swimming costume

During swimming lessons long hair must be tied back or alternatively a hat can be worn. No jewellery is permitted, ear-rings must be removed.

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. One of the responsibilities of parents is to ensure that their child has the correct uniform, and that it is clean and in good repair.

It is vital that all uniform is named.

Purchasing of uniform

Although not essential, you can order school branded uniform from:

<https://topmarksschoolwear.co.uk>, however uniform can be purchased more widely, including from local second hand retailers.

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If any parent would like the school to modify the uniform policy, they should make representation, in the first instance, to the head teacher. 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.

The role of governors

The governing body establishes the school uniform policy. The Headteacher considers all representations from parents regarding the uniform policy and liaises with the Governing Body to ensure that the policy is implemented fairly and with sensitivity. It is the governors' responsibility to ensure that the school uniform meets all regulations concerning 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

The governing body monitors and reviews the school uniform policy through its committee work.

Reviewed by the SLT (September 2022)