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School Uniform Policy

Responsibility for this policy lies with	Headteacher
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1 Introduction

- 1.1** It is our school policy that all children wear school uniform when attending school and when participating in a school-organised event outside normal school hours. We provide a complete list of the items needed for school uniform in our school prospectus.

2 Aims and objectives

- 2.1** 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;
 - is fair and reasonable.

3 Jewellery & Hair accessories

- 3.1**
- On health & safety grounds we do not allow children to wear jewellery. The exceptions of this rule are:- Wrist watch
 - For pierced ears, only very small stud earrings, one per earlobe, and these should be removed for PE. (If children are unable to take studs out themselves these should be left at home on PE, games or swimming days or covered with tape/plaster to prevent injury. (School staff are not permitted to remove any earrings.)
 - The school will not accept responsibility for loss of jewellery.
 - Parents should inform the school if their child has to wear any item of jewellery for religious reasons.
 - All hair accessories such as hair clips, hair bands, hair ties need to be in the school colours green yellow black or grey
 - All accessories should be correctly and fastened for health and safety reasons

4 Extreme haircuts

- 4.1** The school does not permit children to have 'extreme' haircuts which are classed as fashionable that could serve as a distraction to other children, for example, shaven styles, logos or other shaven pattern designs.

5 Footwear

- 5.1** The school wants all children to grow into healthy adults and be safe. We believe that it is dangerous for children to wear shoes that have platform soles or high heels or strappy sandals or mules, so we do not allow children to wear such shoes in our school. All children should wear black school shoes or plain black trainers (all logos and laces must also be black) with the smart appearance of a school uniform. We require all children to wear black shoes as stated in the uniform list. Boots may be worn to school and at outdoor playtimes and lunchtimes during cold and wet weather but must change into their black shoes for wear inside. Should pupils choose to wear black trainers, these need to be completely black without any logo, stripes or markings.

5.2 Socks

Pupils must wear socks (grey white or black) or tights (black or grey) and these need to be plain without any patterns and of the correct colours .

6 The role of parents/Carers

- 6.1** We ask all parents who send their children to our school to support the school uniform policy. We believe that parents/carers 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.
- 6.2** 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 serious reasons, for example on religious grounds, why parents want their child to wear clothes that differ from the school uniform, the school will look sympathetically at such requests.

7 The role of governors

- 7.1** 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 policy is implemented fairly and with sensitivity.
- 7.2** It is the governors' responsibility to ensure that the school uniform meets all regulations concerning equal opportunities.
- 7.3** Governors ensure that the school uniform policy helps children to dress sensibly, in clothing that is hardwearing, safe and practical.

8 Monitoring and review

8.1 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;
- requiring the headteacher to report to the governors on the way the school uniform policy is implemented.