



Policy for school uniform

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Next review: annually, unless any changes are required prior to this

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The Department for Education strongly encourages schools to have a uniform. A uniform helps to develop a sense of belonging to the school and prevents competition and additional cost to parents. We have found that wearing school colours supports us in maintaining our high standards of behaviour. For health and safety reasons children must have a change of clothes for PE.

Uniform

item	description	additional notes
top	navy sweatshirt, cardigan or jumper (each year, Year 6 choose a different colour)	- ideally with logo
shirt	white short sleeved polo shirt or white shirt	- ideally with logo
trousers / skirt / dress	grey trousers or knee-length skirt (Foundation 1: jogging bottoms / leggings are allowed)	- in summer, grey shorts or blue and white checked / striped dress may be worn - no jeans, cords or leggings
socks / tights	plain white / grey	- should be a plain, block colour - white / grey leggings worn as tights are acceptable
footwear	black / white / grey / brown footwear (these should be plain, flat) <i>PE pumps (see below) are sometimes needed in times of very bad weather</i>	- avoid expensive brands

PE kit

item	description	additional notes
t-shirt	indoor: plain white t-shirt (long or short sleeved) outdoor: as above, plus fleece / warm top	- this should be a round-necked top, not a collared polo-shirt (must not be same shirt as that worn in class) - t-shirts with school logo are available
shorts	grey / black / blue shorts or PE skirt	
tracksuit bottoms	grey / black / blue tracksuit bottoms / leggings	ideal for outdoor use
footwear	trainers	- bare feet for indoor PE

Additional Notes

All clothing should be clearly labelled.

Every week, we gather lots of lost property – please help us to reduce this amount.

Other Items

Other items of school equipment are available. These include:

- Book bag
- PE bag
- Separate bag for packed lunch (if not school dinners)
- Water bottle – any plastic water bottle, labelled, is encouraged for health reasons, but these should be regularly cleaned or replaced

Supplier: School uniform can be purchased from various suppliers – ask at the school office if you're unsure.

Hair: Long hair should be tied back (this is so that it does not distract from learning and for hygiene reasons).

Hairstyles should not be attention seeking eg extreme styles such as sculptured names / symbols, mohicans or dyed hair are neither appropriate or acceptable for children of primary school age. This includes eyebrows. Hair accessories should be minimal: as small as possible and not too bright.

Jewellery and make-up: Items that are absolutely required by a religion are allowed. Other jewellery is limited to a plain watch (avoid expensive watches) and plain stud earrings (no more than 4mm wide). Local authority advisors recommend **no** earrings are worn for PE; however, we allow small studs but only at the risk of the wearer. No make-up, including nail varnish, and no temporary tattoos.

Bags: For reasons of space, please restrict bags to small backpacks / shoulder bags; handbags aren't appropriate.

Religious requirements and race equality: We follow local authority advice in such matters (eg *Valuing Diversity; Awareness Raising for Schools* document). Sikhs are traditionally required to wear a bangle and boys to cover their hair, which is left uncut, secured in a topknot or turban. Where safety is an issue, pupils will be asked to tape them to the skin or wear a sweatband.

Non-uniform days: Occasionally, we have non-uniform days. Pupils should dress appropriately; revealing clothes, high-heeled shoes and make-up are not appropriate, even on non-uniform days.