

### Introduction

This document represents the school's policy towards school uniform and other matters relating to dress, as approved by the Governing Body of the school.

### Roles and Responsibilities

- The Governing Body are responsible for determining and approving the policy, and for its periodic review.
- The Headteacher in consultation with colleagues is responsible for the day-to-day administration of the policy, and for advising and informing, as necessary the Governing Body of any matters arising from it. The Headteacher is also responsible for advising parents on issues relating to school uniform and dress policy.
- Parents are responsible for ensuring that their child attends school, dressed in a manner which follows the requirements of this policy.

### Labelling of Clothing

- All items of uniform and other clothing, including P.E. Kit must be clearly labelled with the child's name. This makes the location of misplaced items of clothing much easier. It is the responsibility of parents to ensure that this is the case.

### Health and Safety

- This policy is intended to provide clear guidance on what constitutes acceptable school uniform. Every effort has been made to remove areas of uncertainty or ambiguity, but this policy does not contain a comprehensive list of every type or style of clothing.
- Where a child attends school wearing an item of clothing, jewellery or footwear that is judged to pose a risk to the Health and Safety of either the wearer or other children, the Headteacher will inform the child's parents that the item should not be worn again.

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### Uniform for Girls

- Grey trousers (fashion trousers such as Bootleg trousers etc are not allowed) or grey skirt or grey pinafore
- Plain white shirt/blouse or plain white or red polo shirt.
- Red school sweatshirt or plain red sweatshirt or plain red sweater or plain red cardigan.
- Summer dresses must be in school colours i.e. red and white checks or stripes.
- Grey/white socks or plain grey/red/white tights.

### Uniform for Boys

- Grey trousers (short or long)
- Plain white shirt or plain white or red polo shirt.
- Red school sweatshirt or plain red sweatshirt or red jumper
- Grey/white socks.

### Footwear

- Shoes with as flat a sole and heel as possible. (Platform soles or heels in excess of 4.5cm (2 inches) are not allowed on grounds of Health and Safety.
- Shoe colour should be as dark as possible with black, brown or dark blue recommended. Bright shoe colours e.g. white, orange, yellow etc are not allowed.
- Sandals may be worn in periods of dry weather during the Summer Term. **These must be of the closed-toe style.** Open-toe styles i.e. if the toes or top of the foot is unprotected are not allowed on Health and Safety grounds.
- Sandal colour should be black, blue, brown or red.
- The wearing of training shoes of whatever style or colour is not allowed. Similarly the wearing of boots that extend above the ankle is not allowed.

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### Jewellery

- Watches may be worn at the owner's own risk.
- Simple stud-type earrings may be worn. These should be silver, gold or diamond. Novelty designs or other colours are not permitted.
- No other style of earring may be worn.
- All other forms of jewellery or adornments are not allowed.
- Hair braids should not be worn for school. Hair accessories should be simple and complement school colours.

### Head Wear

- Hats may be worn by the children during the Summer Term when the sun is strong.
- Floppy sun hats or caps with soft peaks on them may be worn.
- Baseball caps with very rigid and hard peaks can cause injury to a child if the wearer collides with another child and the edge of the cap connects with the other child's face. Such designs are allowed if they are worn "back-to-front" with the peak covering the back of the neck.
- In cold weather suitable hats may be worn to keep the child's head warm.

### P.E. Kit

- Plain shorts and plain shirts
- Rubber-soled pumps (trainers are not allowed to be used for indoor P.E. lessons but may be worn if the lesson is outside).
- There is no requirement for the shorts and t-shirts used in P.E. lessons to be white.
- T-shirts must be of a single colour without a large motif.
- Replica football shirts etc are not allowed to be worn.
- Shorts must be of a single colour. Long beachwear type shorts are not permitted.
- Shorts and shirts can be of differing colours - as an example, plain red t-shirt with plain black shorts etc.
- All earrings and jewellery must be removed for P.E. lessons.
- The only exception to this is within the first 6 weeks after piercing, when a plaster must be placed over the earrings by the child or parent. Members of staff will not assist a child in removing or replacing earrings or in placing plasters to cover earrings
- Children attending swimming lessons cannot enter the pool wearing earrings even if they have a plaster to cover them.
- It is requested that ear piercing is done at the start of the Summer holidays .

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### **Attendance Without School Uniform**

Although it is expected that children attend school wearing uniform or footwear in line with this policy, there may be times when for perfectly good reasons a child does not have the appropriate clothing or footwear.

In such circumstances it is not acceptable that this is used as an excuse for the child to be absent from school.

If the correct clothing or footwear are temporarily unavailable please send your child to school in other appropriate clothing or footwear. Instances of a child being kept off school for this reason will be reported to the School Attendance Officer.

A short note explaining the reason for the non-wearing of uniform should be sent to school (this will probably make your child feel better).

It is expected that parents will act promptly to ensure that the correct uniform or footwear is worn by the child.