



Roseacres Primary School

School Uniform Policy

1 Introduction

- 1.1** It is our school policy that all children are encouraged and expected to wear school uniform at school, or 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 and outlined in Appendix A.
- 1.2** Uniform needs to be purchased from the school's provider (for items with the school logo) or in the school colours from any high street store. Information is available in the school prospectus, welcome pack and by request at the main office.

2 Aims and objectives

- 2.1** We believe that wearing 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.

3 Jewellery

- 3.1** On health and safety grounds we do not allow children to wear jewellery in our school. The exception to this rule are ear-ring studs We ask that parents remove these on PE days, to prevent injury. This is in accordance with Essex Local Authority guidelines for the removal of all jewellery during sporting activities. Children may wear a sensible analogue or digital watch.

4 Extreme haircuts and styles

- 4.1** The school does not permit children to have 'extreme' haircuts or hairstyles that could serve as a distraction to other children e.g. exceptionally short or shaved and spiked hair or gelled in the style of Mohawk or Mohican, or shaved sculpting likely to cause offense. In addition, we would discourage dyed or highlighted hair in children so young. We encourage children with long hair to have this tied back at school for health & safety reasons and to prevent the spread of nits. We do request that parent/ carers regularly check their child's

hair using a nit comb and alert the school at the earliest opportunity should a case arise.

Hair/ other accessories (e.g. hair band/ bows) should be in school colours and of a normal/small size.

5 Footwear

- 5.1** We require all children to wear black closed toe shoes (not trainers) with appropriate fastenings that pupils are able to be manage independently. In the summer children should still wear closed toe footwear, and appropriate school shoes as they engage in a variety of activities and their toes need protection. Boots, sling backs, fashion shoes, heels or sport trainers are not suitable or acceptable.

6 The role of parents

- 6.1** We ask all parents 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 **labelled**, clean and in good repair.
- 6.2** Parents suffering financial hardship/pupils in receipt of FSM should speak to the school in confidence as financial support may be available to help with uniform purchases.
- 6.3** If considering ear piercing- parents should ensure that this is done at the start of the summer holiday in order to provide enough healing time so that upon return to school, a child is able to participate fully in PE/ sport activities that is their statutory entitlement.
- 6.4** 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 look sympathetically at such requests.

7 The role of governors

- 7.1** The governing body supports the head teacher in implementing the school uniform policy. It considers all representations from parents regarding the uniform policy and liaises with the head teacher 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 at least annually.

Appendix A School Uniform List

Roseacres school uniform is currently supplied by School Trends and can be ordered direct from www.schooltrends.co.uk

All children will need the following items **with** the school logo: **PE Kit with bag, bookbag, sweatshirt/cardigan** (at least x1 with school logo).

You may choose to buy all the school cardigans/sweatshirts with the logo or you can source additional items without the logo from any high street retailer, as long as it meets the school colour/uniform requirements. We do request that all pupils have at least one sweatshirt/ cardigan with the school logo where possible

The School Uniform Policy is detailed below.

BOYS	Dark grey, long or short school trousers White school shirt, long or short sleeved, Or white polo open-neck shirt Royal blue school sweatshirt (with logo- at least one) Plain black shoes (not trainers or boots) or <u>closed toe sandals</u> with plain dark or white socks
GIRLS	Dark grey pleated skirt, pinafore dress, culottes or school trousers, Or blue and white school dress (<u>light</u> blue check) White school blouse or white polo open-necked shirt Royal blue school sweatshirt/cardigan (with logo- at least one) Plain black, low heeled shoes (<u>not</u> trainers or boots) or <u>closed toe sandals</u> with plain dark grey or white tights or socks
PE Kit all	Navy shorts Royal blue t-shirt (with or without school logo) Black school plimsolls
Outdoor kit	Dark coloured tracksuit (jogging bottoms and sweat top) Sport trainers (suitable for outside use)

Review: annually