



Tannery Drift First School

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School Uniform Policy

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1. Introduction

It is our policy that all children should wear school uniform when attending school, or when participating in a school-organised event outside normal school hours. We provide a complete list of the items required for school uniform in our school prospectus (and in Appendix 1) School Staff are also expected to wear appropriate clothing to undertake their role, full details are listed in the Staff Handbook.

2. Aims and objectives

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

- Promotes a sense of pride in the school.
- Engenders a feeling of community and belonging.
- Is practical and smart.
- Identifies the children with the school.
- Is not distracting in class (as fashion clothes might be).
- Makes children feel equal to their peers in terms of appearance.
- Is regarded as suitable, and good value for money, by most parents.
- Has been designed with health and safety in mind.

3. Jewellery

On health and safety grounds, we do not allow children to wear jewellery in our school, this includes earrings. The only exception being that a child may wear plain studs for a period of six weeks after the initial ear piercing, although these must be covered whilst in school. Should a child continue to wear earrings after the initial six weeks, they will be asked to remove them and collect them at the end of school.

Once children are able to tell the time, they may wear a wristwatch to school. Smartwatches which allow the user to take photographs, videos or audio recordings are not permitted. Children are responsible for taking care of their own belongings, the school cannot accept responsibility for personal effects that are lost or become damaged.

4. P.E. Kits

Children should come to school in their P.E. kit on P.E. days, these will always be confirmed at the start of each new term. A full list of the P.E. kit can be found in Appendix 1.

For all P.E. lessons any child who has newly pierced ears must have the earrings covered.

5. Extreme haircuts

The school does not permit children to have haircuts that could serve as a distraction to other children.

6. Footwear

The school wants all children to grow into healthy adults. We believe that it is dangerous for children to wear shoes with platform soles, high heels and open toes in school, so we do not allow this. Children should wear trainers to school on P.E. days only, on all other days we require all children to wear the types of shoe described in the uniform list. All children require plimsolls or similar soft soled shoes for use as indoor shoes.

7. Sun Safety

All children must have a hat in school for use at playtimes and lunchtimes, parents should also apply sun cream to their child before they come into school in the morning. Children should also have a labelled bottle of sun cream in school that they are able to reapply themselves.

8. 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. Parents should ensure that their child has the correct uniform, and that it is clean and in good repair.

The school welcomes children from all backgrounds and faith communities. If there are serious reasons, e.g., religious objections, why parents want their child to wear clothes that differ from the school uniform, the school will look sympathetically at such requests. Similarly, should an item of school uniform prove problematic for a pupil with disabilities, then parents are invited to draw this to the attention of the Headteacher. The school will not treat pupils with disabilities unfavourably.

9. The role of governors

The governing body supports the Headteacher in implementing the school uniform policy. It considers all representations from parents regarding this policy and liaises with the Headteacher to ensure that the policy is implemented fairly and with sensitivity.

It is the governors' responsibility to ensure that the school uniform meets all national regulations concerning equal opportunities, and that our school uniform policy is consistent with our policy on equal opportunities.

Governors ensure that the school uniform policy helps children to dress sensibly, in clothing that is hardwearing, safe and practical.

10. Monitoring and review

When monitoring this policy, through its committee work, the governing body will:

- Seek the views of parents, to be sure that they agree with the policy, and support it
- Consider, with the Headteacher, any requests from parents for individual children to have special dispensations
- Require the Headteacher to report to the governors on the way in which the policy is being implemented

This policy will be reviewed by the governing body every three years, or earlier if considered necessary.

Appendix 1

Uniform

- Grey trousers/shorts/skirt/pinafore
- White shirt/blouse/polo shirt
- **School sweatshirt or cardigan with school logo**
- Plain grey, white or black school socks or grey tights
- For the summer, dark blue gingham dress with white socks
- Sensible, closed-toed, dark-coloured shoes, labelled with full name
- Indoor shoes (sensible dark coloured, soft soled shoes, such as plimsolls), labelled with full name

P.E. Kit

- Navy shorts
- **Navy P.E. t-shirt with school logo**
- **Navy P.E. hoodie with school logo**
- plain, navy jogging bottoms for the winter term
- trainers

Additional Items

- Children with long hair are expected to have it tied back at all times
- All children must have a water bottle clearly labelled with their name

*Items in bold are required to have the school logo on them. These can be sourced from either of the school's uniform suppliers, links to their online stores are provided on the school website.



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