Sunnyfields Primary School

Strong Roots, Bright Futures

Uniform Policy

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Introduction

To promote a sense of identity, pride, and equality, all pupils are expected to wear the correct school uniform each day. Our uniform is designed to be simple, affordable, and practical for everyday school life.

Aims and objectives of the Primary Uniform Policy

1. **Promote a Sense of Belonging and School Identity**

To help pupils feel part of the school community by wearing a consistent uniform that reflects the school's values and ethos.

2. **Encourage Equality and Reduce Peer Pressure**

To create an inclusive environment where all children are dressed similarly, helping to minimise differences related to clothing and reduce social pressures or competition.

3. **Support Focus on Learning**

To ensure that clothing does not distract from learning and that pupils are dressed appropriately and comfortably for school activities, including play and physical education.

4. **Ensure Practicality and Safety**

To set guidelines for clothing that is suitable, safe, and practical for the school day, including PE lessons and outdoor play.

5. **Promote High Standards and Responsibility**

To encourage children to take pride in their appearance and develop responsibility for wearing the correct uniform, preparing them for future expectations in secondary school and beyond.

The Role of Governors

The governing body plays a key role in the development, approval, and monitoring of the school uniform policy. Governors are responsible for ensuring that the policy reflects the school's values, promotes inclusion and equality, and complies with relevant legal guidance.

They support the leadership team in maintaining high standards of dress and are involved in reviewing the policy regularly to ensure it remains fair, practical, and in the best interests of all pupils. Additionally, governors help ensure that the cost of uniform is considered and that any changes are consulted on appropriately with parents, carers, and the wider school community.

Monitoring and review

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 head teacher, any requests from parents for individual children to have special dispensation with regard to school uniform;

The Role of parents

We believe that one of the responsibilities of parents is to ensure that their child has the correct uniform and PE kit, and that it is clean, in good repair and that the child's name is written on all items.

If a parent has difficulties for any reason with fulfilling this request they are asked to speak confidentially to a senior member of staff to discuss the issues. Parents should be assured that we will do all we can to help.

Children who arrive at school wearing non-school uniform clothing will be loaned an appropriate item to wear for that day. The same system will apply for children who do not have a PE kit. Parents will be contacted to discuss the matter.

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 Uniform Policy school will consider such requests sympathetically.

If any parent would like to request a modification to the uniform policy they should, in the first instance, contact the headteacher.

Standard Uniform

- **Red cardigan or jumper** (plain, no logos, The Sunnyfields branded items are optional)
- **White polo shirt, t short or shirt** (plain, no logos)
- **Grey or black trousers, skirt, or pinafore**
- **Black shoes** (plain, no logos or bright colours)
- **Plain black, white, or grey socks or tights**
- **Pinafores. Summer dresses that are red and white are optional**

PE Kit

On PE days, children should come to school dressed in their PE kit:

- **White t-shirt** (plain, no logos)
- **Black or grey shorts, leggings or jogging bottoms** (Plain, no logos)
- **Red or black plain jumper** (for colder weather)
- **Plain Black Trainers** (suitable for physical activity)

Additional Guidelines

- All clothing must be free from large logos, patterns, or brand names.
- Jewellery should be limited to small stud earrings and a watch (no smartwatches).
- Long hair should be tied back for safety.
- No makeup or nail varnish is permitted.
- Extreme hairstyles are not appropriate for school. The use of styling products should be kept to a minimum and children should not have decorative patterns cut into their hair or have hair coloured or dyed.

We appreciate the support of parents and carers in ensuring children come to school appropriately dressed and ready to learn. If you have any concerns or questions about the uniform policy, please contact the school office.