



Uniform Policy

Sutton in Craven C of E VC Primary School

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Introduction

At Sutton CE we pride ourselves in being smart, well presented and ready for learning. It is our school policy that all children wear school uniform when attending school, or when participating in school-organised events outside normal school hours. We ask children to wear their t-shirts tucked into their skirts, shorts or trousers and to take a pride in their personal appearance.

Aims and objectives

Our policy on school uniform is based on the belief that we are pleased to wear a uniform that it:

- Promotes a sense of pride in our school
- Gives children a sense of equality and togetherness
- Helps to create a sense of community and belonging towards the school
- Identifies children within the school
- Supports the school's commitment to inclusion
- Prevents children from wearing 'fashion clothes' that could be distracting in class
- Is practical, smart, and designed with health and safety in mind
- Is considered to be good value for money

Jewellery, Watches, Hair style and accessories, Make-up and Nail Varnish

For health and safety reasons we do not allow children to wear jewellery. The exceptions to this rule are ear-ring studs in pierced ears. Children are required to remove any items during PE lessons to prevent them from causing injury. Please note: Teachers are not permitted to remove earrings. Wrist watches may be worn but only for the

purpose of telling the time. 'Smart' watches linked to mobile phones are not permitted. Hair bands, ribbons/bows or 'scrunchies' should be plain and either blue or black or white in colour. Hair bands should not have large flowers, ears or large bows attached. Make up and nail varnish should not be worn to school unless for an out of school hours function, for example a school disco. 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 or have their hair coloured or dyed. For health and safety reasons and to ensure it does not distract from learning, we strongly advise that long hair be fully tied back. Hair that is long enough to fall into a child's face must be fully tied back for P.E. lessons. This is equally the case for girls and boys. This is stated in NYCC (North Yorkshire) Local Authority PE risk assessment and is in line with advice given by the AfPE (Association for Physical Education)

Footwear

For health and safety reasons we do not allow children to wear shoes with platform soles or high heels. All children are required to wear plain black shoes without logos as stated in the uniform list. If boots are worn these should also be plain black. Wellies and snow boots can be worn in adverse weather and indoor shoes must be brought to change into on arrival to school.

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 visibly labelled** 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 from our lost property to wear for that day if possible. The same system will apply for children who do not have a PE kit. Parents will be contacted to discuss the matter, if it arises repeatedly.

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 will consider such requests sympathetically. If any parent would like to request an exception to the uniform policy they should, in the first instance, contact the Headteacher and then the Governors.

The Role of Governors

The governing body supports the Headteacher in implementing the school uniform policy. It considers all representations from parents regarding the uniform 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 regulations concerning equal monitoring and review opportunities. Governors ensure that the school uniform policy enables children to dress sensibly, in clothing that is hardwearing, safe and practical.

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 Headteacher, any requests from parents for individual children to have special dispensation with regard to school uniform.

School Uniform List

All school uniform and P.E. kit MUST be named. Children can become upset as a result of lost clothing; please help us by naming everything.

- Royal blue cardigan or jumper, with or without the school logo for Year Reception to Year 5
- Red cardigan or jumper, with or without the school logo for Year 6 only
- Plain white or pale blue collar t-shirt with or without school logo
- Black or grey shorts, trousers or skirt
- Blue checked skirt or pinafore
- Blue gingham dresses for summer
- White, grey or black socks or tights

Please note skirts should be an appropriate length and of a style which allows sitting comfortably on the floor. When shorts are worn, they should also be of an appropriate length. T shirts must be tucked into trousers, shorts and skirts.

P.E. Kit

Under the current situation the children must arrive to school already fully dressed in their P.E. kits with hair fully tied up.

P.E. Uniform is:

- Black/navy shorts, tracksuit bottoms or leggings (plain – no fashion labels or logos)
- Plain white round neck t-shirt
- A pair of plimsolls/ pumps – velcro fastenings are essential for younger children for indoor P.E. in the hall
- Navy or black jogging bottoms and royal blue school jumper (plain or logo) for outdoor lessons in cold weather
- Pumps for indoor PE
- Trainers for outdoor PE

For health and safety reasons children are not permitted to wear earrings for PE. Your child's teacher will advise you when PE lessons take place so that earrings can be removed. If earrings are worn they will be covered with tape provided by parents/carers and kept in school.