ST. PETER’S CE PRIMARY SCHOOL & NURSERY

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School Uniform Policy

**Introduction**

It is our school policy that all children from Reception – Year 6 wear school uniform when attending school or when participating in a school organised event outside normal school hours (unless otherwise stated). Parents of children in Nursery have the option to purchase school sweatshirts/cardigans if they wish but this is not mandatory.

This policy has been written with due regard to the Equality Act 2021 and DfE Statutory Guidance for the Cost of School Uniform November 2021. A complete list of acceptable items for uniform can be found in this policy.

**Aims and Objectives**

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

* Promotes a sense of pride in the school
* Provides a sense of community and belonging
* Is practical and smart
* Identifies the children with the school
* Creates peer equality in terms of appearance
* Is designed with Health & Safety in mind

**Uniform**

All uniform should be named. Any lost unnamed uniform will be taken to lost property. Lost property which is still unclaimed after a realistic period of time will be sold or donated.

St. Peter’s school uniform is as follows:

* Navy blue jumpers / sweatshirts / cardigans
* Grey/navy blue skirts / trousers / shorts / pinafores / skorts
* Blue gingham dresses (summer term only)
* Navy blue polo shirts
* Sensible black shoes – no trainers or high heels
* Sandals must be worn with socks
* PE Kit – navy blue t-shirt, blue/black shorts/skorts/joggers/leggings, pumps or trainers - please avoid expensive branded items with obvious/large logos where possible

Children come to school dressed in their PE Kit on the days they have PE.

Indoor PE activities are carried out in the hall and pupils can wear pumps or have bare feet.

Long hair should be tied back – hair decorations should be minimal and in school colours.

**Where to purchase school uniform**

School uniform can be purchased from:

Mary’s Tots ’N’ Teens,

9 Stafford Street,

Newport,

TF10 7LU

Tel: 01952 400476

Uniform can also be purchased from supermarkets or other low-cost outlets. As long as uniform is the correct colours, it does not have to bear the school emblem.

**Support with the cost of uniform**

If at any time you find the cost of school uniform prohibitive then please speak to the headteacher Mrs Medhurst who will do her best to support you.

**Second-hand uniform**

Pre-loved uniform is available from the school office and the PTA hold regular sales. If you have uniform that is in good condition but not required any more, please bring it to the school office so we can pass it on to someone else.

**Jewellery & make-up**

On health and safety grounds we do not allow children to wear jewellery in our school. The exceptions to this rule include earring studs in pierced ears, a watch and jewellery linked to religion. Children must remove or cover these items during PE and games to prevent them from causing injury.

No make-up or nail varnish should be worn in school.

**The role of Parents/Carers**

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 dressed correctly 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 clean and in good repair. 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.

**The role of Teachers and Support staff**

All staff will set a good example in terms of dress. This should be determined by smart professional dress and can be varied according to the activities being taught. For example, PE should be taught in appropriate clothing and footwear.

**The role of Governors**

The Governing Body supports the Headteacher in implementing the school uniform policy. It will consider all representations from parents regarding the uniform policy and liaise with the Headteacher to ensure that the policy is implemented fairly and with sensitivity. Governors ensure that the school uniform meets regulations concerning equal opportunities. Governors ensure that the school uniform policy helps children to dress sensibly, in clothing that is hardwearing, safe and practical.

**The role of the Headteacher**

The Headteacher will ensure that pupils and staff comply with the uniform policy agreed by the Governing Body. The Headteacher has a duty to enforce the school uniform throughout the school community, as part of the maintenance of day-to-day discipline in school.

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