

# Stamford Bridge Primary School

## School Uniform Policy



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### **Introduction**

It is our school policy that all children wear school uniform when attending school, or when participating in a school-organised event outside normal school hours. Our school uniform consists of a navy blue sweatshirt or cardigan which incorporates the school logo, white or pale blue polo shirt and dark grey, navy or black trousers/skirts or pinafores. Black or navy leggings may be worn under skirts instead of tights in cold weather but must not be worn alone. Girls may wear blue checked dresses in summer and boys/girls may wear tailored shorts. Items with logos can be ordered from our Tesco shop at reasonable prices.

Extremes of fashion are not encouraged and clothing and footwear should not be potentially dangerous to the wearer or others, or damaging to the fabric of the premises. Indoor plimsolls or black school shoes should be worn in bad weather. Your child will need a pair of outdoor shoes/wellington boots to change into. Please remember to mark all items of clothing with your child's name.

### **Aims and objectives**

Our policy on school uniform is based on the notion that 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.

### **Jewellery**

On health and safety grounds we do not allow children to wear jewellery or body piercings in our school. The exceptions to this rule are one pair of plain studs in pierced ears and small objects of religious significance, such as a crucifix on a chain. We ask the children to either remove these objects during PE and games, or cover earrings with a plaster or tape brought from home, to prevent them from causing injury. Earrings must be removed for swimming. Make up, including nail varnish and body art transfers, is not part of our school uniform and should not be worn to school.

### **Extreme haircuts/accessories**

The school does not permit children to have 'extreme' haircuts or inappropriate hair accessories such as bunny ears, large flowers or tiaras that could serve as a distraction to other children. Hair accessories may be worn if in keeping with uniform colours.

### **Footwear**

Footwear needs to be black or navy with a sensible heel. Sandals may be worn in summer if they have supporting straps and a sensible heel.

Plain black trainer-style shoes are also suitable. Indoor plimsolls or shoes must be black.

### **PE kit**

Children will need to change into a PE kit for all Physical Education lessons in school. The correct PE kit comprises of black or navy sports shorts and a white t shirt. Trainers are needed for games lessons and black jogging bottoms or leggings may be worn in cold weather.

### **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. One of the responsibilities of parents is to ensure that their child has the correct uniform, and that it is named, clean and in good repair.

If any parent would like the school to modify the uniform policy, they should make representation, in the first instance, to the headteacher. 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.

### **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 opportunities. Governors ensure that the school uniform policy helps 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;  
requiring the headteacher to report to the governors on the way the school uniform policy is implemented.