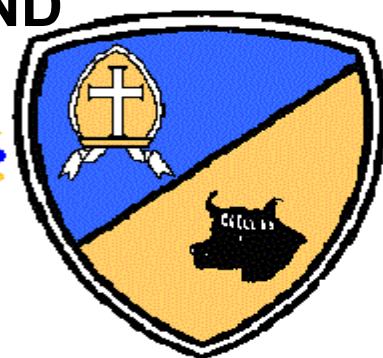


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Policy on School Uniform

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1 Introduction

- 1.1 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 needed for school uniform in our school prospectus.

2 Aims and objectives

- 2.1 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 and carers;
 - has been designed with health and safety in mind.

As a Church school we feel all children should be seen as equals and our uniform policy assists with this.

3 Jewellery

- 3.1 On health and safety grounds, we do not allow children to wear jewellery, including earrings of any style or piercings of any sort, in our school. Children are allowed to wear retainers. The only item of jewellery permitted is a wrist watch. Any pupils wearing jewellery will be asked to remove it; it will then be confiscated and returned at the end of the day. Any further occurrences will result in parents being asked to come into school to collect the jewellery.

3.2 Make-up

Make up is not permitted. Pupils will be asked to clean off any make up.

3.3 Nails

Nail polish and false nails are not permitted and pupils or parents will be asked to clean/remove them.

4 Extreme haircuts

- 4.1 The school does not permit children to have haircuts that could serve as a distraction to other children. Hairstyles should be appropriate for school. Extreme hairstyles, including markings in hair, shaved heads or extreme hair colour are not permitted. Pupils may be sent home in order to make their hairstyle acceptable.

5 Footwear

- 5.1 The school wants all children to grow into healthy adults. We believe that it is dangerous for children to wear shoes with platform soles or high heels in school so we do not allow this. Neither do we allow children to wear trainers to school; these are appropriate for sport or as leisurewear but are not in keeping with the smart appearance of a school uniform. We require all children to wear the types of shoe described in the uniform list. Pupils may bring a pair of trainers to change into at playtimes. Pupils who intend to play football at break and lunchtimes must wear trainers not shoes or pumps. Pupils may wear boots to walk to school during bad weather but they must be change into black or brown shoes once they are in the school building.

6 PE Kit

The school PE kit is compulsory and must be worn on designated PE school days. Pupils must attend school wearing the compulsory school PE kit. Pupils not in the correct PE kit may be sent home in order to change into the school PE kit. It is advisable that during cold weather pupils wear a tracksuit to school (see appendix 1).

7 The role of parents and carers

- 7.1 We ask all parents and carers who send their children to our school to support the school uniform policy. We believe that parents and carers have a duty to send their children to school correctly dressed and ready for their daily schoolwork. Parents and carers should ensure that their child has the correct uniform and that it is clean and in good repair.
- 7.2 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, e.g. religious objections as to why parents and carers 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 and carers are invited to draw this to the attention of the headteacher. The school will not treat pupils with disabilities unfavourably.

8 The role of governors

- 8.1 The governing body supports the headteacher in implementing the school uniform policy. It considers all representations from parents and carers regarding this policy and liaises with the headteacher to ensure that the policy is implemented fairly and with sensitivity.
- 8.2 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.
- 8.3 Governors ensure that the school uniform policy helps children to dress sensibly in clothing that is hardwearing, safe and practical.

9 Monitoring and review

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

- seek the views of parents and carers, to ensure that they agree with the policy, and support it;
- consider with the headteacher any requests from parents or carers 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.

9.2 This policy will be reviewed by the governing body when necessary.

10 School uniform is available from the following local suppliers:

- Impressions Uniforms: Unit 116, Golborne Enterprise Park, Golborne, Warrington WA3 3GR
- Jaymax Uniform Shop, 1 Gas St, Leigh, WN7 4PD.
- Rainbow Uniforms: 87-89 Bradshawgate, Leigh Wn7 4ND
- Many items are also available through most supermarket chains.
- Uniform may be ordered and purchased from other local suppliers.

11 Branded Uniform Items

In line with the Department for Education's statutory guidance on the cost of school uniforms, which applies from September 2026, St Luke's Church of England Primary School limits compulsory branded uniform items to no more than three. The required branded items are:

- School trim Jumper or cardigan or tank top with logo
- School tie
- School book bag

All other uniform items, including trousers, skirts, shorts, dresses, socks, tights, coats, shoes and PE clothing do not need to display the school logo and may be purchased from any retailer, provided they meet the school's published colour and style requirements. Parents and carers are not expected to purchase branded alternatives where a suitable unbranded item is available.

Appendix 1 School Uniform

UNIFORM

School Uniform	Light grey skirt or trousers Pale blue shirt * Royal blue/gold trim/logo trim jumper or cardigan or tank top * Royal blue/gold stripe tie (elastic infants/clip on juniors) Navy blue, black, white or grey socks or tights Black or brown shoes (NOT boots, trainers or leisure shoes) Optional blue or yellow check summer dress In summer plain grey or black tailored shorts may be worn
P.E./Games Uniform	Royal blue shorts (or skirt from Year 3 upwards) * Pale blue t-shirt Trainers Socks Bobble (hair to be tied up) * School Black/Grey/Blue tracksuits for cold weather conditions. Kit to be worn on designated PE days.

All items of clothing or property must be clearly labelled with name.

