

Wales Primary School Uniform Policy



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Aims and objectives

Our policy on school uniform is based on the belief that school uniform:

- promotes a sense of pride in our school;
- helps to create a sense of community and belonging towards the school;
- identifies the children with the school;
- supports our commitment to inclusion;
- is practical, smart and designed with health and safety in mind;
- is considered good value for money (we don't insist on t-shirts and jumpers with the school logo on)

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.

The Role of Governors

The governing board supports the Headteacher in implementing the School Uniform Policy. It 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 enables children to dress sensibly, in clothing that is hardwearing, safe and practical.

Where to buy School uniform

Sweatshirts and cardigans with the school logo on can be purchased from School Trends (www.schooltrends.co.uk) or Pinders Schoolwear shop in Crystal Peaks or at their Aston factory shop.

Uniform without the logo can also be bought from most major stores at competitive prices.

School Uniform

Our uniform consists of:

- Navy blue sweatshirt or cardigan
- Navy blue, grey or black trousers or skirt
- White polo shirt, white or blue shirt
- In warmer weather: shorts and blue gingham dresses can be worn.

There is extensive research into the growth and development of children's feet and the impact shoes have on this, therefore we do allow children to wear trainers but these must be plain black (no Crocs, sandals, sliders, heeled shoes)

Clothing for PE

On PE days, children are required to come to school in appropriate PE clothing. All children need the following items:

- White t-shirt
- Navy blue or black shorts (as close to knee length as possible)
- Plimsolls or trainers
- Plain navy blue or black track suit/jogging bottoms and a plain navy blue or black warm top to wear in colder weather
- Long hair must be tied up

For any items that aren't part of our uniform (e.g. outdoor jackets and coats), we will be asking children to keep them on their peg - including PE days. We have spare navy blue jackets and jumpers for children who forget theirs in the cooler weather.

SEND and sensory needs

We understand that some children have different sensory needs and the feeling of fabrics can pose difficulties for a child. Where reasonable adjustments are made to uniform, we ask that you speak to the SENDCo (Mrs Lax) and the adjusted uniform matches our school colours above.

Swimming

Our children have the opportunity to swim in blocks of the school year in our school pool. They will need to bring appropriate swimming kit on swimming days: swimming trunks or swim shorts with a close fitting liner (not cut off shorts or Bermudas) or a one-piece swimsuit. Children with long hair should be able to tie their hair up and may wish to wear a swimming cap. Children are permitted to wear well-fitting goggles.

Jewellery

Jewellery is not allowed in school with the exception of a watch. This watch must not be a smartwatch but a fitbit watch is allowed. If your child has pierced ears, only small studs are permitted. This is to reduce risk of injury in the school day.

All jewellery, including watches and earrings, **MUST** be removed for PE (and swimming lessons). Staff are not allowed to remove the earrings for children or put them back in. Once the earrings are removed, children then need to keep them safe. If your child struggles with this then it would be best to remove them before they come to school on PE days.

Covering earrings with tape or plasters does not offer adequate protection from compression injuries and so this is no longer an option for children in school. If they have been pierced less than 6 weeks ago and cannot be removed, staff will reduce the risk to all children by temporarily avoiding the contact elements of the PE session (matches, games etc) for those children who have had to keep their earrings in. Earrings will then need to be removed as soon as they have appropriately healed.

If you are thinking about having your child's ears pierced, please consider waiting until the summer holidays so that they have chance to heal before returning to school.

Other items

Children need a coat for school, school bag, water bottle, wellies for Foundation and in the summer need a sunhat – all to be provided from home and named.