

Uniform Policy



SUTTON MANOR
Community Primary School

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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. This policy follows the guidance published by DFE in 2022.

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, being affordable and easily available for parents;
- has been designed with health and safety in mind.

3 Jewellery and Nail Varnish

3.1 In our school, on health and safety grounds, we do not allow children to wear any form of jewellery, including pierced earrings, unless a parental consent and disclaimer is signed. This is in line with Local Authority guidelines. We recommend that ear piercing be left until the start of the summer holidays, when there is a 6 week period for the healing process and earrings can be removed.

If in the unusual circumstances a child has them pierced and removing them during the school day would cause discomfort and healing over, then plasters must be worn until they are healed, after which the earrings should be removed.

3.2 Nail varnish is not permitted. If a child comes to school wearing nail varnish they will be requested to remove it using nail varnish remover which is kept in the head teacher's office.

4 Extreme haircuts and colourings

4.1 The school does not permit children to have haircuts that could serve as a distraction to other children or where children are made vulnerable to taunts and teasing or to extreme colouring.

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. St Helens Council's health and safety policy states that children are not permitted to use fixed play equipment in schools unless they wear proper shoes, with laces or velcro done up firmly.

Children may wear **BLACK trainers for school on their PE days ONLY**, or unless it is a non-uniform day. Parents who have difficulties sourcing these should contact the school. **On non PE days children must maintain the smart appearance of a school uniform. Children shall wear BLACK shoes only.**

6 The role of parents

6.1 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.

If any parent would like the school to modify the uniform policy, they should make representation, in the first instance, to the head teacher. The school welcomes children from all backgrounds and faith communities. If there are serious reasons, for example religious objections, why parents want their child to wear clothes that differ from the school uniform; the school will consider such requests. Similarly, should an item of school uniform prove problematic for a pupil with disabilities, then parents are invited to draw this to the attention of the head teacher. The school will not treat pupils with disabilities unfavourably.

7 The role of governors

7.1 The governing body supports the head teacher in implementing the school uniform policy. It considers all representations from parents regarding this policy and liaises with the head teacher to ensure that the policy is implemented fairly and with sensitivity.

7.2 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.

7.3 Governors ensure that the school uniform policy helps children to dress sensibly, in clothing that is hardwearing, safe and practical.

8 Monitoring and review

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

- seek the views of parents, to be sure that they agree with the policy, and support it;
- consider with the head teacher any requests from parents for individual children to have special dispensations;
- require the head teacher to report to the governors on the way the policy is being implemented.

8.2 This policy will be reviewed by the governing body every two years, or earlier if considered necessary.

Signed: _____

Chair of Governors

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School Uniform

Key Stage 2

Winter

Black trousers/ pinafore/skirt
Royal blue sweatshirt or jumper or cardigan ideally with the school logo
White shirt with collar and school tie with logo
Black shoes

Summer

Blue check dress with royal blue cardigan or sweatshirt
Black shorts /white polo top (no tie needed), royal blue sweatshirt or cardigan, ideally with the school logo

Summer uniforms are optional and weather dependent. Children may prefer the summer uniform if the weather is particularly hot.

Key Stage 1 and Foundation Stage

Winter

Black pinafore/skirt/trousers
Royal blue sweatshirt /jumper or cardigan ideally with school logo
White polo shirt
Black shoes

Summer

Blue check dress/ royal blue cardigan or sweatshirt (winter uniform is also allowed)
Black shorts /white polo top (no tie needed), royal blue sweatshirt or cardigan, ideally with the school logo.

Black shorts are optional, children may wear black trousers dependent on the weather
Summer uniforms are optional and weather dependent. Children may prefer the summer uniform if the weather is particularly hot.

P.E.

Children should come to school on the PE days dressed in PE kit.

Plain white t-shirt- no logos or sports branding
Plain black shorts/plain black jogging bottoms or leggings
Royal blue hoodie/sweatshirt ideally with school logo
Plain black pumps or trainers (preferably black) without coloured branding

- Football and rugby strips are not acceptable.
- Swimming is offered to all year groups from Y2, on a rolling programme.
- Suitable swimwear and a towel will be needed. Long beach shorts or bikinis are not suited to the swimming pool. A separate leaflet is sent home prior to children's swimming lessons.

All items to be labelled with your child's name

Jewellery is not a part of our school uniform. Nail varnish or false / acrylic nails are not to be worn.

Temporary tattoos should be removed.

Extreme haircuts or colouring that can distract other children are not permitted in our school.