



Uniform Policy

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School Uniform

Going to school, particularly an Infant one, is all about preparation. In the same ways that we ensure that children have all the key academic skills that are vital for them to **SOAR** we also place a strong emphasis on our Academy character, how we do things **TOGETHER**. With this underpinning value in mind the following uniform policy was created to:

- Be as simplistic as possible for families and the children
- Is best suited to allow our children to grow in independence
- Is the most cost effective and simplest to order
- Is smart and purposeful and corporately clear.

We demand that parents adhere closely to the school's uniform as set out clearly and comprehensively below. It is for the children to look smart; **TOGETHER**, but also for health and safety and to safeguard the children, which is especially important when on Educational Visits etc. which are a core element of our curriculum offer.

(A comprehensive list of uniform Options is found in the appendices)

Winter Uniform

- Grey trousers – boys or girls
- Grey skirts
- polo shirt (with school logo)
- grey tights
- Navy v neck sweatshirts/cardigans (with school logo)
- Plain socks



Summer Uniform

(As above however with the following options)

- Grey Shorts (boys)
- Navy and white gingham summer dresses (girls)



Footwear

Footwear should provide adequate safe cover to the feet and be easy for the children to take off and put on unaided therefore a Velcro fastening shoe is advised. Trainers, shoes with heels or sandals are unacceptable. Boots may not be worn in school; all children must wear school shoes. Shoes should be black. Shoes with gimmicks such as flashy lights and squeaking heels are strictly forbidden and will be removed from the child for parents to collect when convenient.

P.E

Please provide the following items for P.E. They will need to be in a clearly labelled Navy P.E drawstring bag:

- White polo shirt (with school logo)
- Navy shorts or leggings
- Plimsolls / plain trainers

P.E kits will be sent home at least every half term. Please note the polo shirt is the same as the general uniform. This was a purposeful act to support parents and can be used as a backup in the case of messy/wet learning

Labelling uniform:

Permanent Pens and Laundry markers

With 360 children all wearing the same uniform, lost items of clothing is a constant issue. Please label all uniform items with permanent pen. This will fade after a couple of washes though so continue to reapply. Parents have expressed better results with what is known as a 'laundry markers that can be purchased in many outlets and online via Amazon for instance.



Iron-on labels

You can purchase iron-on personalised labels (see right) via our Tesco's direct site. Ordering details are below.

Jewellery

No jewellery may be worn in school, other than stud earrings and items of particular and globally recognised religious significance. All jewellery will be removed for PE in compliance with Health and Safety guidance. Hoop earrings and those that cannot be removed should not be worn to school; earrings can get caught in equipment during P.E. or in the playground at break times and could cause an irreparable injury to a child's ear-lobe.

Religious items of clothing

Although often a contentious point the following clearly outlines for each of the main faiths are considered suitable clothing articles for children to wear.

There are key points that need to be taken into account in relation to our Academy:

- 1) We are an Infant Academy. Our children are Infants and generally come into Reception at the early stages of being able to dress themselves independently.
- 2) The EYFS curriculum has Physical Development interwoven though each subject area and therefore uniform needs to meet clear Health and safety guidance. It cannot impair their vision, must not be able to be caught on equipment; ultimately it must not increase the child's risk of harm be it from the equipment or through overheating.
- 3) Children need to be able to put on and take off any items on their own.

For further direction please contact the school. Any items worn must not contravene the above and must be in school colours: navy/white.

School Uniform Ordering Information

In the past uniform has been ordered via a number of suppliers. The school however was getting regular negative feedback. The school now has two agreed-suppliers, being TESCOs and School Days Direct.



Please click on the following links:

<https://www.tesco.com/direct/school-unifom/25016.school>

<http:// schooldaysdirect.co.uk>

Appendices:

Uniform	Options	
Long Hair	Tied back with Navy/White bows / hair bands	
Top half		
	White Polo Shirt	Navy V-neck jumper
Lower half	 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Grey tights or grey / white socks (plain) ○ Girls can wear cycling shorts under skirts for modesty 	
	Grey Trousers	Skirt
		Culottes
		Pinafore
Footwear	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Plain black shoes ○ Velcro Straps ○ No heels/wedges/boots/trainers or flashy lights 	
Bags		
	P.E Drawstring bag	Book Bag

Further Summer options		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ White / grey socks (plain) 	 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ White socks (plain) ○ Girls can wear cycling shorts under skirts for modesty ○ No Leggings
	Grey Shorts		Navy Gingham Summer dress

P.E Kit			
	Navy Shorts	White Polo	Plain trainers