



**Fawkham CE Primary School**

**Policy for School Uniform**

**September 2022**

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## Uniform Policy

Church of England Vision for Education:

Deeply Christian, Serving the Common Good.

John Chapter 10 Verse 10 – I came that you may have life; life in all its fullness

Our Fawkham Family helps everyone to:-

- Follow in the footsteps of God, with God's love, help and guidance,
- Know that we are all special and different and that God has created us in this unique way
- Feel safe, happy and confident in our loving caring Christian family
- Work together through the living out day by day of our Core Christian Values
- Try our best, with the light of Jesus inspiring us to be the best that we can be ensuring that we flourish

## DREAM, BELIEVE, ACHIEVE AT FAWKHAM CEP SCHOOL

We value diversity and promote equal opportunities for all.

### 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, unless the activity requires alternative clothing. If this is the case, parents will be notified. We provide a complete list of the items needed for school uniform in our school prospectus.

### School Uniform and Appearance Policy

Our school uniform is important to us. It is one way in which we identify ourselves as a school family and it promotes a strong, cohesive school identity which supports high standards and expectations in all areas of school life. It promotes harmony between different groups represented in the school, and it enhances security, assisting the school to identify individual pupils in order to maintain good order and spot intruders more easily. **Smartness and high standards of appearance are expected at all times.**

### Aims and Objectives

At Fawkham Primary School we believe that school uniform is important because it:

- promotes a sense of pride in the school
- promotes self-esteem and a self-pride
- engenders a sense of community and belonging towards the school
- gives a common purpose
- is practical and smart
- identifies the children with the school
- prevents children from coming to school in fashion clothes that could shift the focus from learning, or be unsuitable or dangerous
- is designed with health and safety in mind and is readily available and inexpensive.

All children are expected to wear the uniform, and we encourage all to maintain an acceptable standard of clean and tidy dress and presentation in school. Uniform reflects the long traditions of our school.

## **Jewellery**

On health and safety grounds we do not allow children to wear jewellery in our school. The exceptions to this rule are small round, gold or silver ear-ring studs in pierced ears, which can be worn only if needed. Children may wear watches. However, school cannot take responsibility for these if worn.

## **Extreme Hair-styles and Fashion Items**

Fashion items should be kept at home. Children are not permitted to wear fashion accessories such as make-up, nail polish, transfers, tattoos etc.

Appropriate 'legionnaire' style sunhats or caps should be worn outside during sunny weather. Long hair on both girls and boys, should be tied back neatly, with plain, or blue and white checked bands, or 'scrunchies'. This is for reasons of smartness, appearance and health and safety.

The school does not permit children to have 'extreme' haircuts that could serve as a distraction to other children. The definition of an extreme hairstyle is at the discretion of the Headteacher.

## **Footwear**

It is dangerous for children to wear shoes that have platform soles, strappy open-toed sandals, sling-backs or high heels etc and for the safety of the children these are not permitted. Neither do we allow children to wear trainers to school, as it is not in keeping with our smart dress code. We require all children to wear sensible, smart black shoes.

## **The Role of Parents**

We expect all parents to support the school uniform policy and ethos. This policy is clear at their time of joining, and by expressing a desire for their child to attend Fawkham CE Primary School, they demonstrate an acceptance of its policies, standards and expectations. All parents are required to sign The Home-School Agreement to this effect.

If there are serious reasons, for example on religious or health grounds, why parents want their child to wear clothes that differ from the school uniform, the school will consider such a request.

## **School Uniform Details**

A detailed list of our school uniform and P.E. dress code is published in our school prospectus. All new parents are given this list. This is regularly published in school newsletters. Any changes that are made to uniform are conveyed to parents via school newsletters. Parents are also given details of where they can purchase our 'logoed' school uniform items.

## **Winter Clothes**

Boys Dark grey trousers and light blue shirt or polo shirt with the school sweatshirt. Grey, black or navy socks.

Sensible, safe, black school shoes must be worn **(not trainers)**.

Girls Dark grey skirt, or dark grey trousers, light blue blouse or polo shirt, navy school cardigan or school sweatshirt.

Sensible, safe, black school shoes must be worn **(not trainers)**. Socks or tights should be white or navy blue.

### **Summer Clothes**

Boys Dark grey trousers or shorts and light blue shirt or school polo shirt, with school sweatshirt. Grey, black or navy socks.

Sensible, safe, black school shoes must be worn **(not trainers)**.

Girls Dark grey skirt, or dark grey trousers or smart shorts, light blue blouse or polo shirt, navy school cardigan or school sweatshirt

or

Light blue and white checked dress with navy school cardigan.

Sensible, safe, black school shoes must be worn **(not trainers)**. Socks or tights should be white or navy blue.

Navy blue sun caps, book bags, fleece hat and a navy reversible fleece with the school badge are also available.

If the girls wear hair bands or ribbons to keep their hair back, these should also be navy, blue or white.

### **Games Kit**

Plimsolls, plain navy shorts (no logos/white stripes etc.) and Tee shirts in team colours with the school badge. Trainers can be worn on the field and plateau.

### **Second Hand Uniform**

The PTA – Friends of Fawkhams FoF – run a second hand uniform store where items of uniform may be purchased for:-

Jumpers/Cardigans £3

PE Tops £1

Coats £5

Summer dresses £1

Shorts/Skirts £1

Navy PE Hoodies £2

Jogging bottoms £1

PE Shorts 50p

## **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.

## **Monitoring and Review**

The Governing Body regularly monitors and reviews the school uniform policy in line with all other policies through its committee work.

This policy will be reviewed regularly and updates given to Governors, in line with any new information and guidance that becomes available.

Written by: Miss Mandy Bridges (Headteacher)

To be reviewed: September 2023

Signed..... Date 29<sup>th</sup> September 2022  
(Chair of Governors)

Signed..... Date 29<sup>th</sup> September 2022  
(Headteacher)