St Andrew's Church of England Primary School

SCHOOL UNIFORM POLICY

LOVE ~ TRUST ~ WISDOM

Let all that you do be done in love
1 Corinthians 16 : 14

APPROVED BY GOVERNORS	Summer 2022
POLICY TO BE REVIEWED	Summer 2024

1. Uniform Policy

1.1 All children are required to wear school uniform. The school colours are bottle green and gold (grey is acceptable for trousers and skirts).

2. School Uniform

2.1 **Rationale:** We believe that school uniform plays a valuable role in contributing to the ethos of a school. School uniform can instill pride; support positive behaviour; encourage identity with the school ethos; protect children from social pressures to dress a particular way; nurture cohesion and promote good relations between different groups of schools. Children are expected to wear their uniform in a smart manner, for example tucking their shirt into their trousers / skirt, their top buttons are to be done up and their tie pushed up to the collar.

2.2 All pupils are to wear black shoes which have non-slip soles and flat heels to avoid the risk of slipping or tripping. Trainers, in any colour, are not acceptable as part of the school uniform except during PE Lessons.

2.3 Long hair is to be tied back from the face at all times, including for PE. Where hair is braided, beads may not be included for health and safety reasons. Hair bands and a clips/slides should be discreet – ideally in bottle green. Large bows, flowers and diamanté items are not acceptable. Hairbands worn for PE must be soft. Gingham 'scrunchies' are acceptable if they match the pattern of a summer dress.

Dyed hair, hair colouring, any additions, or hair extensions are also not permitted. The use of hair gel or other hair products is not permitted. Shaved patterns in hair are also not acceptable for school.

2.4 To comply with health and safety requirements in accordance with the 'Health and Safety Policy', the only permitted jewellery is small, plain gold or silver stud earrings. Earrings cannot be worn for PE lessons under any circumstances. In the event of your child not being able to take their earrings out themselves a member of staff will not be able to do this for them so they will have to sit out of their PE lesson.

It is recommended that ears are pierced at the start of the 6 weeks summer holidays to allow sufficient time for healing to enable them to be removed for PE on return to school.

2.5 Make-up, nail varnish or tattoo transfers are not to be worn.

2.6 Children may wear a wristwatch; analogue watches are recommended, because the design of these watches supports learning about time better than watches with digital displays. Children may wear 'fitness' watches that measure steps and such like. Children may not wear any watch that has the capacity to do the following:

- connect to the internet;
- record audio;
- record still and/or moving images;
- record audio and still and/or moving images.

Children are not permitted to wear any watches if, in the school's judgement, they detract from good behaviour and/or good learning, or if it causes distraction, or causes a concern to the health and safety of the child or other individuals.

2.7 School issued badges may be worn – e.g. School Council. Other badges – such as birthday badges may be worn for the period that they are relevant, however very large badges (diameter greater than 5cm) may not be worn at any time.

2.8 Outdoor coats should be plain and ideally dark coloured and waterproof. In the winter time or when it is dark, pupils should make sure that they are visible to motorists by wearing reflective material.

3. School Uniform Specifications

3.1 Bottle green V-neck jumper or cardigan (displaying school logo)
White shirt
School tie – KS1 may be on elastic
Grey tailored trousers, tunic, skirt, or culottes (no jersey / stretch material and no external pockets)
Plain socks (grey, white or bottle green)
Grey or bottle green tights
Sensible black school shoes (not boots or trainers)

Optional Summer Uniform
Grey school shorts (no jersey / stretch material and no external pockets)
Green and white gingham checked dress
Short sleeved white shirt and school tie
Sensible school sandals – must not be open-toed

3.3 Clothing for PE

Bottle green or black shorts
Bottle green t-shirt (displaying the school logo) or a t-shirt in the house colour
Plimsolls (indoor)
Plain navy blue or black sweatshirt
Trainers (outdoor)

Plain navy blue or black tracksuits / jogging bottoms can be worn in winter months.

3.4 Examples of the St Andrew's School Uniform

Jumper

Cardigan

Tie

Book Bag

4. Purchase of Uniform

4.1 Some items of school uniform and sports kit can be purchased from the 'Anglia Sports and School Wear Ltd' – www.yourschoolwear.co.uk.

4.2 Suitable school wear can also be bought from chain stores, supermarkets and uniform suppliers.

4.3 In the event that parents / carers are unable to purchase uniform, or if the child is in receipt of PPG funding, the cost of uniform can be partly, or entirely subsidised by the school, at the headteacher's discretion.

5. The Role of Parents

5.1 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.

5.2 If a parent has difficulties for any reason with fulfilling this responsibility, they are asked to speak confidentially to a senior member of staff to discuss the issues. Parents should be assured that we do all we can to help.

6. The Role of Governors

6.1 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 fairly and with sensitivity.

6.2 It is the governors' responsibility to ensure that the school uniform policy enables children to dress sensibly, in clothing that is hardwearing, safe and practical.