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It is our school policy that all children wear school uniform when attending school, representing the school, or when participating in a school-organised event outside normal school hours.

Aims and objectives

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

- engenders a sense of community and belonging towards the school;
- promotes a sense of pride in the school;
- is practical and smart;
- identifies the children with the school;
- prevents children from coming to school in fashion clothes that could be distracting in class;
- makes children feel equal to their peers in terms of appearance;
- is regarded as suitable wear for school and good value for money by most parents;
- is designed with health and safety in mind.
- is appropriate for the children to engage in the curriculum e.g. PE, Games, Outdoor Education.

Our uniform consists of:

- Red sweatshirt or cardigan embroidered with the school logo and motto (available from school or Rainbows shop in Westhoughton). Logo is optional
- grey trousers, skirt or shorts;
- white polo shirt or shirt;
- PE Kit- Red Tee Shirt and black shorts
- Outdoor Kit- Waterproof coat and trousers, wellies.

Jewellery

Due to Health and safety regulations, we do not allow children to wear jewellery in our school. The exceptions to this rule are ear-ring studs in pierced ears, and small objects of religious significance. We ask the children to either remove these objects during PE and games, or cover them with a plaster (provide by the parent), to prevent them from causing injury.

Hair Styles

Long hair should be tied up for Health and Safety reasons. For reasons of smartness and to engender a sense of belonging to the whole school community, parents are requested not to dye their children's hair using bright colours or have decorative patterns (e.g. Mohican style) shaved into their children's hair.

Footwear

We require all children to wear black shoes, no heels. For PE, children need a pair of black pumps. For Outdoor Education, children need a pair of wellies. Trainers are not part of our school uniform.

The role of parents

Parents have a responsibility to support the school uniform policy. We believe that parents have a duty to send their children to school appropriately dressed and ready for their daily schoolwork. It is the responsibility of parents is to ensure that their child has the correct uniform,(indoor and outdoor) and that it is clean and in a state of good repair.

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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 on religious grounds, why parents want their child to wear specific clothing etc which differs from the school uniform, the school will look sympathetically at such requests.

The role of Governors

The governing body implements the school uniform policy. It considers all representations from parents regarding the uniform policy and liaises with the head teacher 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 and health and safety. Governors ensure that the school uniform policy helps children to dress sensibly, in clothing that is hardwearing, safe and practical.

Monitoring and review

The governing body monitors and reviews the school uniform policy through its committee work by:

- seeking the views of parents, to ensure that they agree with and support the policy;
- considering, with the head teacher, any requests from parents for individual children to have special dispensation (e.g. on religious grounds) with regard to school uniform;
- requiring the head teacher to report to the governors on the way the school uniform policy is implemented.

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“Giving children wings to fly”



Indoor



PE and indoor games



Outdoor Education