

Uniform

The school encourages children to be smart and tidy in appearance and practically dressed for the variety of needs of a school day. We ask all parents to dress their children in the school uniform, of grey trousers or skirt and red jumper, cardigan or sweatshirt. Good quality, smart sweatshirts, fleeces, waterproof jackets and polo shirts with the school motif are sold at regular intervals during the school year from the school office. However red tops can be bought from other sources. We encourage children to wear a school PE shirt; these can be purchased along with uniform. **We would like all children to wear the school uniform every day.**

Children need to be able to run, play and work in a variety of situations in school. **Suitable footwear** (i.e. flat heeled) is very important for the demands of a school day.

We sincerely ask parents to avoid the following:

- Nail varnish/fake nails/jewellery/piercings
- Make up/cosmetics
- Extreme haircuts (tramlines)

Most educators now accept that students can become distracted by fashion trends and status symbol clothing. Therefore, when all students are dressed in school uniforms, there is less focus on fashion in the classroom and more focus on learning. We also find that wearing a uniform five days a week often make students appreciate their weekend fashions more – maybe enough to even take good care of them! Please note in particular, that make up and jewellery should not be worn in school (except small studs) and we may need to ask children to remove ear-rings that could distract or catch on clothing. Additionally we would ask that parents remain firm in the face of requests for fashionable hair styles and excessive colourings that might likewise distract. We would also ask that if parents are planning for their children to have their ears pierced, that this could happen over a holiday period so that their child can continue to take part in PE.

Please make sure all clothes are marked with your child's name.

PE KIT

Children wear a red t-shirt and blue shorts for PE. Indoor work is done in bare feet; trainers or sandshoes are needed for games lessons outside. We recommend that this kit be kept in a drawstring bag on the child's coat peg. PE tops can be ordered through the school office.

Please make sure all kit has the child's name marked clearly. Children need PE kit in school everyday.

Football shirts are not allowed to be worn in school.