

Summerswood Primary School

Uniform Policy

1. Introduction

At Summerswood, we pride ourselves on being smart, well presented and ready for learning. It is our school policy that all children wear school uniform when attending school, or when participating in school-organised events outside normal school hours. We ask children to wear their shirts tucked into their skirts, shorts or trousers and to take pride in their personal appearance.

Items of uniform are easily available, at very competitive prices, at local shops including supermarkets. They can also be purchased online:

- <http://www.yourschooluniform.co.uk/>
- <https://myclothing.com>

For any families struggling to get uniform, they are welcome to speak to the Headteacher or use this section of our website for further support/information:

<https://summerswood-primary-school.secure-primariesite.net/financial-educational-sen-support-for-parents/>

2. Aims and Objectives

Our policy on school uniform is based on the belief that we are pleased to wear a uniform that:

- Promotes a sense of pride in our school
- Helps to create a sense of community and belonging towards the school
- Identifies pupils with the school
- Supports the school's commitment to inclusion
- Prevents pupils from wearing 'fashion clothes' that could be distracting in class
- Is practical, smart, and designed with health and safety in mind
- Is considered to be good value for money

3. Jewellery, Hair, Make-up and Nail Varnish

For many reasons, including safety, we do not allow children to wear jewellery. The exceptions to this rule are ear-ring studs in pierced ears. Children are required to remove any items during P.E. lessons to prevent injury.

Please note: Teachers are not permitted to remove earrings. Hair bands, ribbons/bows or scrunchies should be plain and in colours that match our uniform. Hair below the shoulders should be tied back. Make-up and nail varnish should not be worn to school.

4. The Role of Parents

Parents are responsible for ensuring their child has the correct uniform and PE kit, that it is clean, in good repair, and visibly labelled with the child's name. If a parent has difficulties fulfilling this request, they should speak confidentially to a senior member of staff. We will do all we can to help.

Children who arrive at school wearing non-school uniform clothing will be loaned an appropriate item from lost property for that day if possible. The same applies for missing PE kit. Parents will be contacted to discuss the matter.

5. Religious or Cultural Exceptions

The school welcomes children from all backgrounds and faith communities. If there are serious reasons (e.g., religious grounds) for wearing clothes that differ from the uniform, requests will be considered sympathetically. Parents should contact the headteacher and then the Governors.

6. The Role of Governors

The governing body supports the headteacher in implementing the uniform policy, considers all representations from parents, and ensures fairness and sensitivity. Governors ensure the policy meets equal opportunity regulations and that clothing is hardwearing, safe, and practical.

7. Monitoring and Review

The governing body monitors and reviews the policy by:

- Seeking parents' views
- Considering requests for special dispensation

8. Complete List of Uniform Items

- Dark grey/black trousers or skirt
- Dark grey shorts / black or blue & white checked dress for summer (optional)
- Plain white short sleeve polo shirt or white shirt (available with school logo)
- Navy sweatshirt or cardigan (available with school logo)
- Navy, white or grey socks/tights
- Black or brown school shoes – not trainer style or with a heel

Indoor P.E. Kit:

- Plain navy blue/black shorts
- Plain white short sleeve round neck t-shirt (available with school logo)
- Black plimsolls (KS1)

Outdoor P.E. Kit:

- Navy, black or grey jogging bottoms
- Navy/black long-sleeved sweatshirt
- Training shoes

Book Bag:

- Navy blue (available with school logo)

9. Author and Date

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