

SCHOOL UNIFORM POLICY

Our school promotes perseverance, resilience and mutual respect.
Working in partnership with families, we ensure that all children are given the best opportunities throughout their educational journey.
Children at Chase Lane embrace challenge and make the best possible progress to enhance their life choices in an ever changing, diverse modern Britain.

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Member of Staff Responsible: Headteacher

Chase Lane Primary School and Nursery School Uniform Policy

Introduction

Our policy is that all pupils enrolled at the school should wear school uniform when attending school or participating in a school event unless informed by the school otherwise.

The wearing of full school uniform is expected as an integral part of the school ethos, high standards and a sense of personal pride.

Aims and Objectives

We have formulated this policy to ensure that pupils are not disadvantaged due to their gender or disability, or social, religious or racial background.

We believe that wearing school uniform:

- Promotes a sense of pride in the school
- Promotes a sense of community and belonging towards the school
- Is practical and smart
- Makes children feel equal to their peers in terms of appearance
- Is regarded as suitable wear for school and is considered by parents as good value for money
- Is designed with health and safety in mind.

School Uniform Suppliers

Chase Lane Primary School and Nursery is committed to ensuring fair access to school uniform by selling items as cost effective as possible and also the provision of a second hand school uniform shop, where items of school uniform are available free of charge.

Parents / carers may choose to purchase items of school uniform with or without the school logo. Parents are encouraged to compare prices at general outlets and retailers. Our school uniform (with the school logo) can be purchased online from Anglia Sports Wear. This online supplier sells sweatshirts and cardigans with the school logo and PE shorts and T shirts.

Winter Uniform

• Royal blue sweatshirts or cardigans, preferably with school logo, (no other advertising logo will be accepted).

- Outdoor clothing should be warm and waterproof. Warm headgear and gloves worn outdoors is acceptable.
- White short sleeved polo shirt.
- Grey or black skirts (knee length or just above) miniskirts and leggings are not acceptable.
- Grey or black culottes (no short shorts are accepted)
- Grey or black trousers
- Flat covered black shoes. In poor weather pupils may wear flat heeled boots to school.

Trainers are not permitted

Summer Uniform

- Royal blue gingham dresses or gingham blouses.
- Royal blue sweatshirts or cardigans, preferably with school logo, (no other advertising logo will be accepted).
- White short sleeved polo shirt.
- Grey or black skirts (knee length or just above) miniskirts and leggings are not acceptable.
- Grey or black trousers or shorts (no short shorts are accepted)
- Flat covered black shoes or sandals.

PE Kit

PE kit should be kept in a bag and consist of:

- Royal blue shorts
- White t shirt
- Plimsolls, football boots or trainers (not with flashing heels or wheels)
- Club shirts or inappropriate shorts are not permitted.
- Plain, tracksuit bottoms and top, advertising logos must be discreet.
- Hairbrush allowed but no hairstyling products.

ALL CLOTHING MUST BE CLEARLY MARKED WITH CHILD'S NAME

The school is not responsible for the loss of school uniform and no staff will be held to account for such loss.

Non-uniform Days

The school will occasionally permit a day or event where uniform is not required for celebration or charity purposes. Prior notice will be given of this exception to the rule to parents and pupils.

Jewellery

On health and safety grounds we do not allow children to wear jewellery or smart watches in school.

The exceptions to this rule are ear-ring studs only in pierced ears, wrist watches or school badges, medals or stickers.

All jewellery is to be removed for PE, dance and any other physical activities. Covering earrings with tape is not permitted. Pupils will be excluded from physical activity if jewellery is not removed.

The child is responsible for the safe keeping of their own jewellery. No member of staff is responsible for any loss or damage.

Hair

The school does not permit children to wear large hair accessories, have inappropriate hair styles or hair braiding or unusual/unnatural hair colouring. Long hair must be tied up.

Accessories

Makeup or nail varnish is not permitted. Hats, caps and hoods within school are also not permitted. Cycle helmets should be worn by all pupils cycling to school. Clothing accessories such as socks and tights or hair fasteners should be plain and royal blue, grey, black or white. No sweat bands should be worn.

The role of parents

We request all parents to comply with our school uniform policy. It is the responsibility of parents/guardians to ensure that their child has the correct uniform which is clean and in good repair. If any parent wishes to make representation for special dispensations for their child wearing school uniform they should approach, in the first instance, the Headteacher by letter. The school welcomes children from all backgrounds and faith communities. If there are serious reasons on religious, moral or health and safety grounds why parents want their child to wear clothes that differ from the school uniform or differ in their appearance, the school will consider such request fairly and sensitively.

The role of Governors

It is the Governing Body's responsibility to ensure that the school uniform meets all the regulations concerning equal opportunities. The Governing Body will monitor and review the school uniform policy and will liaise when appropriate with the Headteacher. Day to day monitoring of the implementation of our policy will be the responsibility of all staff. Pupils who do not comply will be subject to the following stages:

Stage 1 Gentle reminder in the first instance of non-compliance

Stage 2 School Uniform letter sent home to parents/carers

Stage 3 Parents invited to make representation and appropriate action considered by school