

### Introduction 1.

It is our school policy that all children wear school uniform when attending school, or when participating in a school-organised event outside normal school hours. A list of the items needed can be seen on our school website.

# 2. Aims and objectives

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

- promotes a sense of pride in the school;
- engenders a sense of community and belonging towards 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.

## 3. Jewellery

On health and safety grounds we do not allow children to wear jewellery in our school. The exceptions to this rule are:

- one set of ear-ring studs in pierced ears and;
- an item of jewellery used to identify a diagnosed health condition.

### 4. Hair styles

- Long hair should be tied back. This ensures we minimise the possibility of transferring headlice from one child to another;
- The school does not permit children to have 'extreme' hair styles that could serve as a distraction to other children.

### 5. Makeup

Children should not wear makeup or nail varnish.



#### 6. **Footwear**

The school wants all children to grow into healthy adults. We believe that it is dangerous for children to wear shoes that have platform soles or high heels, so we do not allow children to wear such shoes in our school. We require all children to wear completely black shoes.

### 7. The role of parents

We ask all parents who send their children to our school to support the school uniform policy. We believe that parents have a duty to send their children to school correctly dressed and ready for their daily schoolwork. One of the responsibilities of parents is to ensure that their child has the correct uniform, that it is clean and in good repair.

If any parent would like the school to modify the uniform policy, they should make representation, in the first instance, to the Head of School. 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 clothes that differ from the school uniform, the school will look sympathetically at such requests.

## 8. **Hub Councillors**

Our Hub Councillors support the Heads of School in implementing the school uniform policy. They will consider all representations from parents regarding the uniform policy and liaise with the Heads of School to ensure that the policy is implemented fairly and with sensitivity.

It is the Hub Councillors' responsibility to ensure that the school uniform meets all regulations concerning equal opportunities.

Hub Councillors ensure that the school uniform policy helps children to dress sensibly, in clothing that is hardwearing, safe and practical.

## Monitoring and review 9.

The school monitors and reviews the school uniform policy by:

- seeking the views of parents, to ensure that they agree with and support the policy:
- consider any requests from parents for individual children to have special dispensation with regard to school uniform.