

School Uniform Policy

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IDLE C.E. (A) PRIMARY SCHOOL SCHOOL UNIFORM POLICY

Vision Statement

At Idle CE (A) Primary School we celebrate being part of God's family. We inspire our children with a love of learning in a safe, caring environment, which is theologically rooted in our Christian Vision of:

Jesus' promise of "life in all its fullness" (John 10.10)

for children, young people and adults within our school community to flourish. We are driven by our vision to nurture Christian hope and high expectations for all involved with education of the pupils in our care and to serve the common good.

Introduction

It is our school policy that all children wear school uniform when attending school, or when participating in a school-organised event within normal school hours. A complete list of the items needed for school uniform is identified below.

Aims and objectives

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

- is designed with health and safety in mind;
- 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 to staff and others;
- 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 conducive to good educational practice.

To ensure that these aims are realised, the headteacher retains overall responsibility for assessing the appropriateness of uniform.

Jewellery and Make-Up

On health and safety grounds we do not allow children to wear jewellery in our school. The exceptions to this rule are earring studs in pierced ears and watches.

Stud earrings should either be removed for PE by the child or covered with plasters. These should be provided from home and, should children not be able to cover stud earrings themselves, should be ready covered on arrival at school. Watches should be a sensible size, should not distract either the child or other pupils and should always be removed for PE. Smart watches are not approved.

Make-up, including nail polish, fake tan and temporary tattoos, is not permitted.

Hair

For reasons of safety and personal hygiene, long hair should be tied back with simple hair accessories during the school day and within PE. Haircuts should be appropriate for a learning environment.

Bags

Key Stage 1 children should ideally only use school issue PE or book bags at school due to the space available in the cloakrooms. These are more convenient to use than rucksacks and facilitate the changing of school reading books more easily.

Key Stage 2 children may bring their own bags to carry items needed for the school day, but due to limited space in pupil lockers, these should be of a rucksack type construction.

Footwear

Pupils should bring a pair on non-marking sole pumps or trainers to keep in school for indoor PE sessions. For outdoor PE, pupils should wear a pair of trainers. All children are required to wear a pair of black, flat-soled shoes or all-black trainers inside school as part of their school uniform which they are capable of putting on and taking off themselves.

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, in good repair and labeled with their child's name.

Modifications to the uniform policy will be considered by the Headteacher. Our school is inclusive of children from all backgrounds and faith communities and we will consider any such requests with reference to our Equality Objectives.

School Uniform Assistance/Hardship

The Governors at Idle CE (A) Primary School agree to support vulnerable families in meeting the cost of uniforms.

The Governors Finance Committee have agreed to supply a voucher for the purchasing of non-branded uniform at the beginning of each academic year to families who are in receipt of Free School Meals or with no recourse to public funds. Evidence of receipt will be required. The budget for the School Uniform Assistance scheme will come from Pupil Premium.

A pre-loved uniform shop is located by the office Reception area and pre-loved items can be purchased for a small contribution.

Inappropriate uniform

In the event of children not adhering to the school uniform policy:

Firstly, the parent of the pupil will be contacted.

Secondly, the school will provide the pupil with suitable clothing to wear whilst on school premises where appropriate in order to provide time for parents to purchase the necessary uniform.

For safety reasons, pupils will not be permitted to attend educational visits out of school if there is not full compliance with the uniform policy.

The role of Governors

The Governing Body supports the Headteacher in implementing the school uniform policy and liaises with the headteacher 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 in line with the agreed Equality Objectives.

Governors ensure that the school uniform policy helps children to dress appropriately, in clothing that is hard wearing, safe and practical.

Monitoring and review

The Governing Body monitors and reviews the school uniform policy alongside the Headteacher.

It will consider, with the Headteacher, any requests from parents for individual children to have special dispensation with regard to school uniform.

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School Uniform List

The following items should all be appropriately labeled with the child's name.

Key Stage 1 Uniform list: (EYFS / Y1 & Y2)

Clothing & Footwear

Plain grey or black trousers, skirt, dress, or culottes.

Plain grey tailored shorts

Red and white Gingham pattern dresses, culottes or knee length pedal pushers (summer months).

White T shirt or polo shirt / white polo shirt embroidered with the school logo (*optional) Red sweatshirts or sweat cardigans / red sweatshirt or sweat cardigan embroidered with the school logo (*optional)

Black, flat-soled shoes or all-black trainers

Plain, flat soled sandals with covered toes (summer months)

PE Kit to be worn to school on PE days:

- Plain white or school logo T shirt
- Plain black / navy shorts shorts of an appropriate length for comfort and appearance
- Plain black / navy blue track suits
- Hair ties for children with long hair
- Indoor pumps with non-marking soles to be kept in school
- Trainers which pupils can put on and take off independently

Key Stage 2 Uniform list: (Years 3 - 6)

Clothing & Footwear:

Plain grey or black trousers, skirt, dress, or culottes.

Plain grey tailored shorts

Red and white Gingham pattern dresses, culottes or knee length pedal pushers

White T shirt or polo shirt / white polo shirt embroidered with the school logo (*optional)

Red sweatshirts or sweat cardigans / red sweatshirt or sweat cardigan embroidered with the school logo (*optional)

Black, flat-soled shoes or all-black trainers

Plain, flat soled sandals with covered toes

PE Kit to be worn to school on PE days:

- Plain white or school logo T shirt
- Plain black / navy shorts of an appropriate length for comfort and appearance
- Hair ties for children with long hair
- Plain black / navy blue track suits
- Indoor pumps trainers with non-marking soles to be kept in school
- Trainers
- One piece swimming costumes and cap (Year 5)

Appropriate items meeting the School Uniform Policy can be purchased from high-street stores or supermarkets.

*All items using the school logo are optional. If wished they are available to purchase from:

Whittakers: 21 Briggate, Shipley. BD17 7BP. T:01274 585015

Natasha's Schoolwear: 12 New John Street, Bradford BD1 2QZ. T: 01274 724676

Tesco online: https://myclothing.com (search for Idle)

Shipley Area School Uniform Bank, C/O Dawn Coleman, 6 Taunton Street, Shipley, BD18 3NA