

## **School Uniform Policy**

## What is this policy for?

This policy sets out the expected dress code of all pupils within the school.

# The vision for Uniform Policy

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

- promotes a sense of pride in our school
- helps to create a sense of community and belonging towards the school
- identifies the children with the school
- supports our commitment to inclusion
- prevents children from wearing 'fashion clothes' that could be distracting in class
- is practical, smart and designed with health and safety in mind
- is considered good value for money by most parents \*\*

## When are expectations shared?

The school uniform is shared with parents as part of their induction meeting, through this policy and through the school prospectus.

## How are expectations shared?

This policy sets out clear expectations, it is on our school website and forms part of the Prospectus. It will also be added to the information about school pack for parents whose children join after reception year.

### What are expectations?

### SCHOOL CLOTHING LIST

Our school colours are a combination of red and grey/black. Most items can be bought at competitive prices from High Street shops. Items marked with a \* below are sold at 'NK Sports' (school uniform shop).

\*\*We want all children to feel that they 'belong' to the school and wearing a school uniform helps them to do this. Therefore we have a school logo on school jumpers, polo shirts and PE t-shirts. We are well aware that families come from a range of financial backgrounds and that the logo on uniform increases the costs. Although school prefers that pupils wear logo'd items, due to the current cost of living crisis school are content that pupils wear the logo jumper or cardigan. Plain white polo shirts (under a logo jumper) and plain white t-shirts for P.E. will be acceptable. During the winter months pupils can also wear a plain white jumper under their school polo shirts in order to provide an additional layer of clothing. This does not need to have a logo as it will be under the school jumper.

## MAIN CLOTHING OPTIONS

- Grey/black shorts, skirts or trousers
- Red and white checked dress
- Red or White blouse or polo shirt
- Red sweatshirt\*, fleece\* or cardigan\*, without a hood, either plain or with the Becket logo School Uniform Policy October 2022

We care, we learn, we achieve

- Plain white/black or grey short or knee length socks (not over the knee).
- Black or Grey tights
- Black shoes which should be flat and well enclosed for safety. If boots are worn they must be short to enable children to sit comfortably on the floor.

Skirts and shorts should not be so short as to be revealing or pose a safeguarding risk.

#### P.E. KIT

- black shorts or leggings
- plain white T-shirt or polo shirt
- pair of plimsolls/daps velcro fastenings are essential for younger children
- Older children (KS2) can wear trainers as these provide better support
- navy or black jogging bottoms for outdoor lessons in cold weather
- A change of socks is desirable.

### JEWELLERY AND PERSONAL POSSESSIONS

For their own safety children must not wear jewellery in school, with the exception of a practical, inexpensive watch or plain studs for children with pierced ears. However, before PE children must remove their own earrings. Make-up should not be worn which includes nail varnish or nail extensions. Toys may be brought to school to use at playtimes, however they must only be pocket sized, must not be swapped, and must be inexpensive. Kaleidoscope Multi Academy Trust does not provide insurance cover against theft or damage to personal possessions in school. Mobile phones are not permitted in school – there is always access to a phone if required in emergencies.

### How do we measure success in school uniform?

The school uniform is deemed successful if all children in school are following it. For those who struggle financially they should alert school to their difficulties so school can assist them in utilising the second hand uniform that we have.

#### **Resources**

Pre-washed Second hand uniform that has been 'grown out of' will be received by school (or Hope Church, Milton) thus enabling those struggling financially to still wear appropriate uniform.

## Safety & Risk

Health and safety is of paramount importance-particularly on 'mufti' days. Therefore all clothing must be suitable for the activities, in particular footwear.

### **Community Involvement & Collaborations**

The school uniform rules can be relaxed to suit special occasions, e.g when pupils are going off-site. For example jeans may be worn on camp and day visits if they are most appropriate. However, health and safety considerations must still apply (e.g no unsuitable footwear). School may select certain 'mufti' (non uniform) days when pupils may be asked to bring items/funds for BFC events of charity days eg (Christmas Jumper day).

### **Monitoring and Evaluation**

School Uniform Policy – October 2022



We care, we learn, we achieve
The senior leadership team will monitor the standards of dress within school.

Information gathered is shared with the governing body.

Policy written: October 2022

Policy review: October 2023

Ratified by the Local Governing Body and signed by chair or vice-chair:

Andrew Rowse 10/10/22

Chair