

Uniform Policy



Communicating Love; Inspiring our
Community to Flourish

Rationale:

We believe that the wearing of a school uniform enables children to identify with and take pride in their school, strengthens community, gives a sense of belonging, is practical and smart, reinforces a positive work ethos and reduces expenditure for parents/carers.

Aims:

- * All children wear the correct uniform to school
- * Children feel proud to belong to the school
- * Parents/carers share high expectations of the school

Guidelines:

- It is expected that children wear the school uniform each day, with the appropriate footwear.
- All items of uniform can be purchased from a combination of the school office and a local supermarket/retailer.
- If a child does not wear the correct uniform, a verbal or written reminder of our expectations will be communicated to the parents/carers (see Appendix 1).
- If a child arrives at school wearing inappropriate clothing which causes concern (e.g. unsuitable for the weather, too revealing, offensive/unsuitable slogans, etc.) then the school will endeavour to provide uniform for the child to wear for the day.
- Full PE kit should be available for all pupils on each day they take part in physical activity.
- If a child does not have their PE kit in school, a letter is sent home to the parents/carers.
- Parents are asked to clearly label every item of school clothing with their child's name.
- The children are responsible for taking care of their own items of uniform in school.
- There is a basket for lost property located in school. Items will be stored until the end of each term.
- If there is any reason why a child cannot wear our uniform or requires special dispensation (eg health or religious grounds) then the governors will consider sympathetically any such request from a parent/carer.

Uniform details:

Winter:

- St Gabriel's jumper or cardigan
- St Gabriel's tie
- Plain white collared shirt or blouse
- Dark grey trousers, shorts, skirt or pinafore dress
- Dark grey or black socks or tights
- Black shoes (not trainers)

Summer:

- As above or
- Dark red/burgundy and white checked summer dress
- St Gabriel's crested white polo shirt

PE Kit:

- St Gabriel's crested white polo shirt,
- Plain black shorts,
- Trainers or plimsolls,
- White socks,
- St Gabriel's grey crested sweatshirt (for outdoor and winter months)
- Plain black jogging bottoms (for outdoor and winter months)

Please avoid jewellery and make up – rings, bracelets and earrings can get caught and cause injuries. In the rare occasion where stud pierced ear-rings cannot be removed, we ask that they are covered with a plaster brought in from home for PE lessons to prevent them from causing harm.

APPENDIX 1 – Standard letter to parents

Date:

Dear Parent/Carer

Child's name: Class:

We noticed that your child **did not wear their uniform/did not bring their correct PE kit/wore make up/jewellery** to school today. I'm sure you will appreciate the many advantages of our uniform policy, both at home and at school. As our policy states: "We believe that the wearing of a school uniform enables children to identify with and take pride in their school, strengthens community, gives a sense of belonging, is practical and smart, reinforces a positive work ethos and reduces expenditure for parents/carers."

I would therefore be very grateful if you could make sure that they dress appropriately every school day.

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Thank you for your support in this matter.

Yours sincerely,

Mr A Taylor

Headteacher