

Wat's Dyke C.P. School



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School Uniform Policy

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Wat's Dyke Community Primary School

SCHOOL UNIFORM POLICY

EQUALITY IMPACT STATEMENT

At Wat's Dyke, we have carefully considered and analysed the impact of this policy on equality and the possible implications for pupils with protected characteristics, as part of our commitment to meet the Public Sector Equality Duty requirement to have due regard to the need to eliminate discrimination, advance equality of opportunity and foster good relationships.

1.Introduction

It is our policy that all pupils should wear school uniform when attending school, or when participating in a school-organised event outside normal school hours.

The school believes that the appearance of the members of its community is important. Young people come to school not merely for academic input but also to absorb an ethos and culture which is reflected in the code of conduct, general behaviour and expectations.

2. Objectives

There are many benefits to having a Uniform Policy:

- wearing a school uniform goes a long way towards eradicating social and economic differences between pupils;
- the school is a community to which all pupils belong and with which all students are identified and wearing a uniform contributes to the development of this community ethos;
- certain items of clothing pose health and safety risks, most particularly in practical lessons such as PE, Technology and Science but also generally around the school. A clear uniform policy takes account of such issues and ensures that pupils are not put at risk unnecessarily by wearing inappropriate dress;
- expectations on dress codes are widespread in today's society with many employers adopting a uniform approach to dress in the workplace. Wearing a uniform helps to prepare pupils for these future expectations.
- by having a smart appearance within school, it is one factor among many which assists in instilling an awareness of, and appreciation for, maintaining high standards generally.

3.Aims

- To ensure that all members of the community (parents, staff and pupils) clearly understand the uniform requirements.
- To ensure that pupils observe the uniform requirements by consistent and regular monitoring by all staff.
- To liaise with parents on our uniform requirements, seeking their co-operation.

4.Practice

1. Uniform requirements are clearly described in all information to prospective parents, at open days and in the school prospectus. Parents are reminded of the expected standards through newsletter to parents; pupils are reminded by Class Teachers.

Uniform can be purchased from Ram Leisure: <https://ourschoolwear.co.uk/collections/wats-dyke>. School ties can be purchased from the school office.

The Welsh Government funded Pupil Development Grant is available to help towards the costs of a child's school uniform and equipment, for those on a low income.

<https://www.wrexham.gov.uk/service/pupil-development-grant-pdg>

Any child eligible for free school meals, attending school in Wrexham, and in the following year groups is eligible for the grant:

- Entering reception class in primary school
- Entering school years 1 to 11
- In a special school, special needs resource base or pupil referral unit and are aged 4 to 15

All looked after children are also eligible, regardless of their free school meals status.

2. All teaching staff share the responsibility for monitoring and maintaining the uniform expectations in and around the school site.

3. We recognise that there are exceptions to our uniform policy, such as: Religious custom and practice, specific physical disability or additional learning needs. These should be shared with the Class teacher in the first instance.

5. Uniform details

UNIFORM

Grey skirt/trousers/pinafore/tailored shorts

White Shirt

White Polo Shirt (Foundation Phase only)

Clip On School tie (Key Stage 2 only)

Plain grey or white socks/tights

Black shoes or black trainers

Maroon school sweatshirt with or without the school logo from high street stores.

or cardigan with or without a logo

During the summer months, pupils may wear pink gingham dress.

No unnatural hair colour or shaved patterns

No rings or jewellery except a watch and one pair of discrete studs (not for P.E)

Shirts should be tucked into trousers or skirts and ties are to be worn correctly.

6. PE / Sports Kit for boys and girls

Plain white Polo Shirt

Black shorts

Black Tracksuit for outdoors

Trainers for outdoor activities

Swimming costume/trunks (Key Stage Two)

For health and safety reasons, long hair must be tied back in PE lessons and all jewellery, including earrings, must be removed. It would therefore be advisable for ear piercings to be done at the beginning of the 6 week holidays.

No make-up or nail varnish may be worn during the school day. Similarly, temporary transfers or fake 'tattoos' are not appropriate.

7. Forest School Clothing

Old clothes:

Trousers

Long sleeved top

Change of footwear

Wellington boots/Walking boots (Optional)

Warm waterproof coat (during the colder months)

Waterproof trousers (Optional – these can be provided)

8. Footwear

We ask that all children wear the types of footwear described in the uniform list. Shoes which incorporate flashing lights or similar distracting gimmicks in their design are discouraged.

Flat sandals that provide firm support may be worn in summer, but they must have a heel strap to ensure that the foot cannot slip off the sandal.

9. Seasonal safety

All children should bring a coat in school when the weather is changeable, cold or wet.

On hot sunny days children should be protected from the sun when outdoors by: wearing a hat or cap and wearing an appropriate SPF sunscreen that has been applied at home (adults in school are not permitted to apply sunscreen)

10. The role of the school

Items bearing the school logo are available for purchase from Ram Leisure.

There will be consultation with parents in the event of any change in supplier of uniform items. The school accepts no liability for loss or damage to uniform or personal items worn or brought into school.

The school has a good selection of preloved uniform items available at school or from the PTFA.

11 The role of parents

We ask all parents to support our school Uniform Policy. We encourage all parents to send their children to school, dressed appropriately and ready for their school day. All items should be clearly marked with the child's name.

If any parent would like the school to modify the Uniform Policy, they should make representation, in the first instance, to the Headteacher.

12 The role of governors

The Governing Body supports the Headteacher in implementing the school Uniform Policy.

13 Monitoring and review

When monitoring this policy, through its subcommittee work, the Governing Body will:

- seek the views of parents, to be sure that they agree with the policy, and support it;
- consider with the Headteacher any requests from parents for individual children to have special dispensations;

- require the Headteacher to report to the governors on the way in which the policy is being implemented.