

Holy Trinity Rosehill CofE (VA) Primary School



Uniform Policy

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'let your light shine'

"You are the light of the world. A town built on a hill cannot be hidden. Neither do people light a lamp and put it under a bowl. Instead they put it on its stand, and it gives light to everyone in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven. Matthew 5:16

We are blessed to be a Church of England School with a vision for everyone to 'let your light shine' as found in the Sermon on the Mount. We value everyone in our school as unique individuals with their own skills and talents nurturing everyone to flourish in God's love.

Everyone in our school has a voice, is encouraged to use their voice and is truly valued for all that they bring to our school family and the wider world.

We work together to encourage everyone to let their lights shine brightly and to enable other's lights to shine by:

- providing a welcoming, happy and safe learning environment where everyone is nurtured to explore, to make mistakes and to grow
- embracing learning and all of the joy it brings
- celebrating our diverse school community and the opportunity for everyone to thrive and flourish
- providing encouragement and support to all our children, families staff, governors and community with well-being at the core of our school
- preparing our children with skills for life through our shared values
- offering a rich and varied curriculum enabling our children to discover the wonders of God's beautiful world and the value of everyone
- providing opportunities for our children to contribute positively to our school and local community

As a Church school we believe everyone is made in the image of God. We value our school and our community as places where love can flourish. Our vision is found in our values, collective worship, the teaching of Religious Education and our curriculum.

Introduction

It is our school policy that all children wear school uniform when attending school, or when participating in school-organised events outside normal school hours. We ask children to take a pride in their personal appearance. Some items of uniform

can be bought from our school uniform supplier, whilst others are easily available, at very competitive prices, at local shops including supermarkets. A complete list of the items needed for school uniform including those for Physical Education, is detailed below.

Aims and objectives

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';
- is practical, smart and designed with health and safety in mind;
- is considered good value for money by most parents;

Jewellery

For health and safety reasons we do not allow children to wear jewellery of any kind. We do not allow children to wear earrings. Children will be asked to remove earrings or parents/carers contacted to do so. Staff will not remove earrings. If you wish for your child to have their ears pierced this should be done during the first week of the summer holidays.

Watches

We encourage children to wear an analogue watch to support the development of being able to tell the time. Alternatively children may wear a basic "fitness" watch to encourage a healthy lifestyle. However we do not allow Apple watches (or similar) which allow text messages or calls to be received or photos/videos to be taken.

Make-up and Nail Varnish

Make up, nail varnish and temporary tattoos should not be worn to school unless for an out of school hours activity, for example a school disco.

Hair accessories

Small hair bands, small ribbons/bows or 'scrunchies' should be plain and either blue or burgundy. Hair bands should not have large flowers, ears or words (such as Happy Birthday) etc. attached. Extreme hairstyles are not appropriate for school, including coloured hair braids, shaved patterns into hair and hair of our children should not be dyed or bleached. The use of styling products should be kept to a minimum. Long hair must be tied back in a 'ponytail' style (i.e. all of the child's hair tied back).

Footwear

For health and safety reasons children need to wear plain, black shoes (not trainers) - we do not allow children to wear shoes with platform soles or high heels. All children are required to wear plain black shoes or boots in winter. If boots are worn these should also be plain black. If boots are large and prevent children from sitting comfortably on the floor they may be asked to change into their PE shoes whilst inside the school building. Children should wear shoes with 'Velcro' style fastening until they are able to fasten laces independently without support from an adult

The Role of Parents and Carers

We believe that one of the responsibilities of parents/carers is to ensure that their child has the correct uniform and PE kit, and that it is clean and in good repair. It is imperative that the child's name is written on **all** items.

Our school welcomes children from all backgrounds and faith communities. If there are reasons, for example on religious grounds, why parents/carers want their child to wear clothes that differ from the school uniform, school will consider such requests sympathetically. If any parent would like to request a modification to the uniform policy they should, in the first instance, contact the Head Teacher.

If a parent/carer has difficulties for any reason with fulfilling our school uniform policy they are asked to speak confidentially to their child's class teacher to discuss the issues. Parents/carers should be assured that we will do all we can to help. We have recycled uniform which is freely available - please contact our school office for more details.

The Role of Governors

Our Governing Body supports our Head Teacher in implementing the school uniform policy. It considers all representations from parents/carers regarding the uniform policy and liaises with the Head Teacher 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 concerning equal opportunities. Governors ensure that the school uniform policy enables children to dress sensibly, in clothing that is hardwearing, safe and practical.

Monitoring and Review

The Governing Body monitors and reviews the school uniform policy through its committee work by considering, with the Head Teacher, any requests from parents for individual children to have special dispensation with regard to school uniform

School Uniform List

Our school uniform colour is a combination of pale blue, burgundy and grey. Most items can be bought from High Street shops. Items marked with a * below, some of which have the school logo on, are available from our uniform supplier My Clothing www.myclothing.com/ueslink/23407.school

- Grey skirt/pinafore dress/shorts/trousers Please note skirts should be an appropriate length and of a style which allow children to sit comfortably on the floor. .
- Optional blue and white chequered dresses for wear in summer months only
- Pale blue polo shirt*
- Burgundy sweatshirt* or cardigan*, **without** a hood, either plain or with logo (with the exception of Y6 Leavers Hoodies)
- Plain white/grey/black short or knee length socks (not over the knee) or plain black or plain grey tights
- Plain black shoes or boots in winter months. Children should wear shoes which they can manage to fasten independently. During inclement weather children may wear 'wellies' to school and bring their school shoes to change into once in school
- School book bag – not a backpack (we do not have space in trays to accommodate large bags)

P.E. Kit

We ask that all items of PE kit are named. Children can become upset as a result of lost clothing, please help us by naming everything.

PE Kit List

- black shorts
- pale blue polo shirt
- suitable trainers (with minimal branding) for outdoor learning - velcro fastenings are essential for younger children
- black jogging bottoms and black zip up jacket for outdoor lessons in cold weather

This policy has been written using statutory Guidance regarding Cost of uniforms

www.gov.uk/government/publications/cost-of-school-uniforms/cost-of-school-uniforms and non statutory guidance on School uniforms www.gov.uk/government/publications/school-uniform/school-uniforms

Governors will monitor the performance of this policy. This will be achieved via the Head Teacher's report to governors and by governors observing its implementation when they visit the school.