



**Snarestone Church of England
(Aided) Primary School**

UNIFORM POLICY

Date of Review: June 2021

Date of Next Review: November 2023

Signed Headteacher:



Uniform Policy

Principles

It is our policy that all children should wear clothing that is in keeping with a purposeful learning ethos. We also believe it is important that certain activities are facilitated by specialised and appropriate clothing when attending school, or when participating in a school-organised event outside normal school hours. We provide a complete list of the items needed for children's school uniform in this policy and an order form is on our school website.

Aims

Our policy for children's school uniform is based on the belief that a school uniform:

- Promotes a sense of pride in the school
- Engenders a feeling of community and belonging
- Is practical and smart
- Identifies the children with the school
- Is not distracting in class (as fashion clothes might be)
- Makes children feel equal to their peers in terms of appearance
- Does not discriminate based on gender, race, disability, sexual orientation or belief
- Is regarded as suitable, affordable and good value for money, by most parents and carers
- Has been designed with health and safety in mind.

All children (Reception to Year 6) need:

- Navy sweatshirt, cardigan or fleece (logo optional)
- Light blue polo tee shirt (logo optional)
- Grey/black school trousers/skirt/pinafore dress
- Black, grey or white socks/tights with flat, black sensible school shoes or plimsolls (if wearing plimsolls, outdoor footwear needed in poor weather, e.g. trainers)
- During summer months, pupils may wear a blue gingham dress or black/grey shorts
- During winter months, pupils may wear wellington boots to school but these MUST be stored in a bag and indoor shoes/plimsolls be worn whilst inside the building.

For PE all children (Reception to Year 6) need:

- T-shirt in colour of house team (red/yellow/green/blue)
- Navy/black PE shorts or navy/black tracksuit bottoms
- Black plimsolls/trainers
- Sweatshirt if required
- Gym bag to keep PE kit in

PE kit should be worn for After School sporting clubs. All PE kits should be free from any logo or brand name, apart from school logo.

Additional optional items

- Summer hat / cap
- Blue Snarestone book bag

Ordering and Purchasing of uniform

Snarestone uniform can be ordered from various outlets, as signposted on the school website, to ensure parents have the choice to ensure value for money.

Help with the cost of buying uniform

Please talk to the office if your child isn't wearing the uniform, including PE Kit, because of cost implications. The school will advise you of financial assistance that is available to you for those children who are in receipt of Pupil Premium funding.

Jewellery and Hair Accessories

On health and safety grounds we do not allow children to wear jewellery in our school (***In line with Leicestershire County policy we allow watches in KS2, and earrings that are simple studs or hoops***). All headwear needs to be appropriate to school, i.e. hair bands / Alice bands and hair slides are only to be worn where hair needs to be tied back. These items should be in line with school colours. All long hair should be tied back in school.

Footwear

- Black school shoes/plimsolls are to be plain with no logos and they should fasten securely across the foot. Black boots are accepted. Plain black leather-look trainers are acceptable, but footwear must be changed for PE. **Heels and trainers should not be worn in class.** All footwear should, for health and safety reasons, have good grip on the sole.
- In colder weather boots are acceptable, but these should fit securely to a child's foot, and for health and safety reasons, should have appropriate grip on the sole.
- In warmer weather sandals are acceptable, but again these should fasten securely to the foot and have good grip on the sole.

All clothing and footwear should be clearly labelled with your child's name.

This is especially important, as uniform items look similar and can easily be confused for another child's. The school cannot accept responsibility for any lost items.

Role of the Class Teachers and Support Staff

- Set a good example in terms of dress.
- Remember that in our respective roles we serve the local community as a set of professionals.
- To remind children to wear school uniform.
(The class teacher will speak to children who do not wear the correct uniform. If children continually attend school wearing clothing which is deemed not to be uniform, they are to be referred to the Headteacher).

Role of the Headteacher

- The Headteacher is to ensure that pupils comply with the uniform policy.
- The Headteacher has a duty to enforce the school uniform throughout the school community, as part of the duty within maintenance of day to day discipline in the school.
- The Headteacher will speak to the parents of children who persistently do not wear the correct uniform.
- The school will follow the DfE guidelines and not consider exclusion from the school where a pupil fails to comply with the school's rules on uniform.

Role of the Parents/Carers

- To ensure that their child/children adhere to the school's uniform policy.
- Ensure that they come to school in uniform everyday unless there are special circumstances such as PE days, forest school days, non-uniform days.
- To ensure that all uniform is labelled correctly and clearly.

Equalities

All children have equal access to wearing school uniform regardless of their age, culture, race, religion, gender, disability or ability. We ensure that the set uniform respects other policies such as Equalities and Inclusion, and allows for individual sets of circumstances of all groups and individuals.

The School is committed to creating a positive climate that will enable everyone to work free from racial intimidation and harassment and to achieve their full potential.

The school adheres to the Equality Act 2010.