

# **St Nicholas' CE (VA) Primary School**

## **School Uniform Policy, November 2022 - 2023**

### **Introduction**

It is our 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 wear their shirts tucked into their skirts or trousers and to take pride in their personal appearance. Some items of uniform can be bought from the local school uniform shop Kids Klobber, Salisbury, 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 printed overleaf.

### **Aims and objectives**

Our policy supports our school ethos and commitment to inclusion in the following ways:

- 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;
- 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.

### **Jewellery, Watches, Hair Ornaments, Make-up and Nail Varnish**

#### **Jewellery and Watches**

For health and safety reasons we do not allow children to wear jewellery to school.

The exceptions to this rule are:

- small objects of religious significance.
- Wristwatches may be worn but only for the purpose of telling the time. 'Smart' watches linked to mobile phones are not permitted.

Children are required to remove these items during PE lessons to prevent them from causing injury.

We do appreciate when ears are first pierced there is a requirement that they are not removed. If this period takes place during term time would you please ensure your child's ear-rings are covered with micropore tape. Once they can safely be removed they should no longer be worn to school.

Please note School cannot be held responsible for any loss or breakage of the above items in school.

#### **Hair Ornaments**

We believe all children whose hair is long enough to be tied up should be to prevent the spread of headlice.

In PE and DT lessons hair should be tied up for safety reasons.

Hair bands, ribbons/bows or 'scrunchies' should be plain and either blue or black or white in colour. Hair bands should not have large flowers or other embellishments attached.

### **Make up, Nail varnish and temporary tattoos**

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

Extreme hairstyles are not appropriate for school. The use of styling products should be kept to a minimum and children should not have decorative patterns or 'tram lines' cut into their hair or have their hair coloured or dyed.

### **Footwear**

For health and safety reasons we do not allow children to wear shoes with platform soles or high heels. Shoes should be flat, black and appropriate for school. If trainers are worn these should be black, plain and without logos. Your child should wear shoes which he or she can manage to do up independently. Please do not send your child to school in shoes which prevent them from running in the playground. If boots are worn these also should be plain black. Children who wear boots that prevent them from sitting comfortably on the floor may be asked to wear their PE shoes whilst inside the building.

### **The Role of Parents**

We believe that one of the responsibilities of parents is to ensure that their child has the correct uniform and PE kit, and that it is clean, in good repair and that the child's name is written on all items. If a parent has difficulties for any reason with fulfilling this request they are asked to speak confidentially to a senior member of staff to discuss the issues. Parents should be assured that we will do all we can to help. Children who arrive at school wearing non-school uniform clothing will be loaned an appropriate item to wear for that day. The same system will apply for children who do not have a PE kit. If we do not have sufficient spare items children will be asked to take part in their PE lesson in their school uniform, where appropriate. If it is not possible for a child to take part in their lessons as they do not have the appropriate wear then they will be sent to an alternative class. The class teacher will communicate with parents should this happen on a regular basis. If there are serious reasons, for example for religious or medical reasons, why parents want their child to wear clothes that differ from the school uniform, the 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 Headteacher.

### **The Role of Governors**

The governing body supports the Headteacher in implementing the school uniform policy. It considers all representations from parents regarding the uniform policy and liaises with the Headteacher 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 hard wearing, safe and practical.

### **Monitoring and Review**

The governing body monitors and reviews the school uniform policy through its committee work by:

- seeking the views of parents, to ensure that they agree with and support the policy considering,
- review with the Headteacher 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 royal blue and grey/black. Most items can be bought from High Street shops. Items marked with a \* below, some of which have the school logo on, are sold at 'Kids Klobber' (school uniform shop). Please speak to our office staff for details of prices.

Please note that children should not wear scarves or headware inside the school building.

<b>Winter Uniform</b>	<b>GIRLS</b> Grey, black or navy skirt or pinafore Grey or black trousers White/light blue blouse/polo shirt Royal blue cardigan or sweatshirt (with school logo) White/grey/black socks Navy blue/grey/black tights	<b>BOYS</b> Grey or black trousers White/light blue shirt/polo shirt Royal blue jumper or sweatshirt (with school logo) Grey/black socks
<b>Summer Uniform</b>	Blue & white checked dress Grey pinafore or skirt Royal blue cardigan or sweatshirt (with school logo) White socks or dark tights	Grey or black shorts or trousers White/light blue shirt/polo shirt Royal blue jumper or sweatshirt (with school logo) Grey socks
<b>Footwear</b>	Black or dark coloured shoes	Black or dark coloured shoes
<b>Indoor PE Kit TO REMAIN IN SCHOOL IN A PLASTIC OR CLOTH BAG (NOT A BACKPACK)</b>	White t-shirt or royal blue t-shirt with school logo Black shorts Daps/pumps – Indoor PE only Trainers – Summer PE Kit only	
<b>Outdoor PE Kit TO BE WORN TO SCHOOL ON THE APPROPRIATE DAY</b>	White t-shirt or royal blue t-shirt with school logo Black jogging trousers/leggings Black hoodie with school logo Trainers	
All sweatshirts, PE t-shirts and school book bags can be purchased direct from: <b>Kids Klobber, 20 Endless Street, Salisbury, SP1 1DP, Tel: 01722 32120</b>		

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