



# St Teresa's Catholic Primary School

## School Uniform Policy

### **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 items that could be distracting in class;
- Is practical, smart and designed with health and safety in mind;
- Is good value for money.

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

For health and safety reasons, and to ensure full curriculum entitlement we do not allow children to wear jewellery. The only exception to this is a watch that is fitted to the wrist for children in key stage two.

Hair bands, ribbons, bows or scrunchies should be plain and either black or dark blue. Hair bands should not have ornamentation attached (e.g. flowers).

Make up and nail varnish are not permitted at school, unless for an out of school hours function such as a school disco.

All long hair must be tied back with suitable elastics, hair ties, clips or bands. Coloured hair is not acceptable in school. This includes dying, bleaching, highlights or lowlights, coloured hair extensions, plaits or braids. Beaded braids are not permitted.

Extreme hairstyles, such as a Mohican, are not appropriate for school. The use of styling products should be kept to a minimum and children should not have decorative patterns cut into their hair.

Parents of children who come to school with unacceptable hairstyles will be contacted and given until the following weekend to rectify it.

### **Footwear**

For health and safety reasons we do not allow children to wear shoes with platform soles or high heels. All children are required to wear plain black shoes without logos as stated in the uniform list. School shoes should not be styled to look like trainers.. If boots are worn to travel to/from school, they should change into school shoes whilst inside the school building.

## **The Role of Parents**

It is the responsibility of parents to ensure that their child has the correct uniform and PE kit, that it is clean, in good repair and that the child's name is clearly marked on all items. If a parent has difficulties for any reason in fulfilling these expectations, they are asked to speak confidentially to the Headteacher. Parents are assured that we will do all we can to help.

## **The Role of Governors**

The Governing Board 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 hardwearing, safe and practical.

## **Monitoring and Review**

The governing board 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, with the Headteacher, any requests from parents for individual children to have special dispensation with regard to school uniform.

### **Winter**

White long sleeved shirt  
School tie  
Grey trousers  
Grey pinafore dress  
Grey skirt  
Royal blue school jumper/cardigan  
Grey socks (with trousers)  
White socks (with skirt/pinafore)  
Grey tights (with skirt/pinafore)  
Black shoes

### **Summer**

White short sleeved shirt  
School tie  
Grey trousers / shorts  
Grey pinafore dress / skirt  
Blue gingham school dress  
Royal blue school jumper/cardigan  
Grey socks (with trousers/shorts)  
White socks (with dress/skirt)  
Black shoes  
School Cap Legionnaires (Infants)  
School Cap (Juniors)

### **P.E. Kit**

White polo shirt or t-shirt  
Black shorts  
White socks  
Dark tracksuit top (winter only)  
Dark tracksuit bottoms (winter only)  
Plimsolls (indoor)  
Trainers (outdoor)

Please supply a named drawstring PE bag which are available in which to keep the PE Kit.

Book bags in school colours and with the school logo are available.

Our uniform may be purchased at: Schoolwear Centres,  
203 Timberlog Lane,  
Basildon,  
Essex SS14 1PB  
Telephone: 01268 952074  
[www.schoolwearshops.co.uk](http://www.schoolwearshops.co.uk)