



School Uniform Policy

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Stanley Crook Primary School

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1 Introduction:

- 1.1** It is our policy that all children should wear school uniform 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 school uniform in our school prospectus.

Legislation and Guidance:

- The Education Act 1996.
- The Equality Act 2010.
- Human Rights Act 1998.
- DfE Cost of School Uniforms Guidance (Statutory Guidance issued under the Education Act 2021).
- DfE guidance relating to safeguarding, inclusion and equality.
- The governing body will ensure that school uniform requirements are reasonable, proportionate and do not create unnecessary financial barriers for families.

2 Aims and objectives

- 2.1** Our policy is based on the notion 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;
- is regarded as suitable, and good value for money, by most parents;
- has been designed with health and safety in mind.

Affordability

The school is committed to ensuring that school uniform is affordable and represents good value for money.

The school will:

- keep compulsory branded items to a minimum;
- permit supermarket alternatives wherever possible;
- avoid unnecessary specification of style, colour or supplier;
- regularly review uniform costs;
- consider the impact of changes on families;
- make information available about sources of second-hand uniform.

The wearing of items carrying the school logo will remain optional.

The full and correct school uniform is as follows:

- Navy sweatshirt/cardigan with/without the school logo on
- White polo shirt or cotton shirt with collar with/ without the school logo on
- Black/dark grey skirt/trousers (black/ grey shorts may be worn in the summer)
- Black/ grey pinafore dress
- Black/ grey/white/ socks or tights
- Plain black, sensible school shoes/ trainers
- Waterproof coat
- Blue check summer dress/short sleeved shirt/grey/black school shorts
- The children are not allowed to wear shoes with platform soles or high heels
- School book bags are recommended for carrying reading books and correspondence.

ONLY SENSIBLE, PLAIN BLACK SCHOOL SHOES/ TRAINERS TO BE WORN IN SCHOOL

PE kit (full PE Kit with school logo, including gym bag available to order):

- Black pumps
- Blue Shorts
- White t- shirt
- Black/blue tracksuit with/ without logo for outdoor games lessons (optional)
- Blue school fleece with/ without logo (optional)
- Footwear:
Indoor PE – only black pumps can be worn in the hall
Outdoor PE – trainers for outdoor lessons/ball cage activities

3 Jewellery

3.1 For health and safety reasons we do not allow any jewellery for PE and swimming and ask that children do not wear it for school. No bracelets or wrist bands are allowed. Children may wear a watch; however, the school does not accept responsibility for any valuables brought to school and advises that any possessions should be left at home. If your child does wear earrings they must be stud only and should be removed for PE wherever possible. Where earrings cannot be removed by the pupil, staff will follow the school's risk assessment and PE safety procedures.

4 Hair

4.1 Hairstyles should be neat, safe and appropriate for school. The school recognises and respects cultural, religious and ethnic hairstyles, including (but not limited to) braids, locs, twists, afros, fades and head coverings worn for religious reasons. Restrictions will only be applied where there is a genuine health, safety or educational reason.

5 Footwear

5.1 It is dangerous for children to wear shoes with heels or platforms so we do not allow these in school. School shoes/ trainers must be plain black in colour with no flashes or coloured sections. In winter, it is good practice to walk to school in boots or wellingtons and change into school shoes on arrival and time is given for children to do this.

6 Make-Up and Nails

6.1 Children must not wear makeup or have painted nails in school.

7 Second-Hand Uniform

The school supports sustainability and affordability through the provision of good-quality second-hand uniform.

Information regarding availability, donations and distribution of second-hand uniform will be published through the school office and school communication channels.

8 The role of parents

8.1 We ask all parents who send their children to school to support the school uniform policy. We believe that parents have a duty to send their children to school correctly dressed and ready for their daily schoolwork. Parents should ensure that their child has the correct uniform, and that it is clean and in good repair.

8.2 If any parent would like the school to modify the uniform policy, they should make representation, in the first instance, to the Headteacher. The school welcomes children from all backgrounds and faith communities. If there are serious reasons, for example religious objections, why parents want their child to wear clothes that differ from the school uniform, the school will look sympathetically at such requests. Similarly, should an item of school uniform prove problematic for a pupil with disabilities, then parents are invited to draw this to the attention of the Headteacher. The school will not treat pupils with disabilities unfavourably.

The school will make reasonable adjustments for pupils who:

- have SEND;
- have medical needs;
- have disabilities;
- have cultural or religious dress requirements.

Any adjustment requests will be considered individually and sensitively.

9 The role of governors

9.1 The governing body supports the Headteacher in implementing the school uniform policy. It considers all representations from parents regarding this policy, and liaises with the Headteacher to ensure that the policy is implemented fairly and with sensitivity.

9.2 It is the governors' responsibility to ensure that the school uniform meets all national regulations concerning equal opportunities, and that our school uniform policy is consistent with our policy on equal opportunities.

9.3 Governors ensure that the school uniform policy helps children to dress sensibly, in clothing that is hardwearing, safe and practical.

10 Monitoring and review

10.1 When monitoring this policy, through its committee 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 the policy is being implemented.

10.2 This policy will be reviewed by the governing body annually, or earlier if considered necessary.