



## **Uniform Policy 2021-2023**

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## School Aims:

St Francis of Assisi Church of England Primary School students wear their uniform and the school logo with pride. Our uniform shows that we are part of the St Francis of Assisi Church of England School community. We have the highest expectations from our students with regards to school uniform and appearance, and strongly believe that our high standards enhance pupils' school pride, community spirit and family ethos and promotes positive behaviour, support effective teaching and learning and contribute to the ethos of the school.

The school is using legislation from Education (Guidance about Costs of School Uniforms) Act 2021 and the DfE guidance from November 2021 which states:

*By creating a common identity amongst all pupils, regardless of background, a school uniform can act as a social leveller. It can reduce bullying and peer pressure to wear the latest fashions or other expensive clothes. If, however, the uniform is too expensive it can place an unreasonable burden on families. Furthermore, if a distinction can be made between those who can afford it and those who cannot, this can reduce the benefits of a uniform and has the potential to negatively impact attendance, access and participation, and lead to bullying.*

*Parents should not have to think about the cost of a school uniform when choosing which school(s) to apply for. No school uniform should be so expensive as to leave pupils or their families feeling unable to apply to, or attend, a school of their choice. Therefore, schools need to ensure that their uniforms are affordable.*

## SCHOOL UNIFORM

We have a school uniform and we encourage all our children to wear their uniform smartly. All items of uniform **must** be labelled. It consists of the following:

- white polo shirt or shirt
- navy and gold striped school tie for pupils in Years 1-6 (ties are not needed in the summer and pupils can wear polo shirts or shirts with their top button unfastened)
- navy blue with gold striped cuff jumper/cardigan (school pattern only)
- charcoal/grey/black trousers (shorts may be worn in warmer weather)
- charcoal/grey skirt or pinafore (blue & white/yellow & white checked dress in the summer term)
- grey/navy blue/black/white socks or grey/navy blue tights
- sensible black leather school shoes, NOT boots, shoes with heels or trainers

**Children in Reception and Nursery should bring a labelled pair of wellingtons in their first week that can be left in school for outdoor play.**

**Nursery pupils can wear navy or grey tracksuit bottoms as an alternative to trousers which makes it easier for toileting and movement. The summer culotte sets are also tricky for the girls to wear in Nursery/Reception when getting changed so dresses are more beneficial.**

## PE KIT

We require that our pupils wear their kit for PE activities. They need an appropriately labelled PE kit consisting of the following:

- trainers
- white socks

- plain white T-shirt (or plain white with school logo)
- navy blue shorts
- navy blue tracksuit for outdoor games in cold weather

If a child does not have their PE kit they will need to borrow a kit if one is available, and a parent will be informed.

### **Pre-loved uniform**

The school has a wide range of second hand pre-loved uniform which is available to any parent or child within school free of charge. This includes branded uniform containing the school logo. If parents would like, they can email the school via [sfoaschooluniform@dalesmat.org](mailto:sfoaschooluniform@dalesmat.org) or contact the school office. The school has a list of items and sizes available.

### **General note on appearance:**

Shirts should be tucked in at all times.

### **Jewellery:**

Jewellery should not be worn or brought into school.

If pupils in EY/KS1/KS2 have pierced ears, ONE pair of discreet studs may be worn. It is preferable that **earrings are removed for PE lessons** for health and safety reasons. If your child is unable to remove the earrings themselves they should not come to school with them in on PE days. If earrings are not able to be removed, please inform your child's class teacher.

No other body piercings are allowed.

### **Hairstyles:**

Hair should be one natural colour, NO hair dye.

Long hair MUST be tied back.

### **Children must NOT wear:**

Hoodies, sportswear or sweatshirts.

Any kind of boots (wellingtons or snow boots (**NOT fashion boots**) are allowed in wet weather/snow but must it is advisable to change when inside the school buildings).

Leather or denim clothing.

Trainers are NOT allowed to be worn at any time other than for PE lessons and clubs.

Make up and nail varnish should NOT be worn to school.

### **Non-compliance with the uniform and appearance policy:**

Parents of students who do not wear the correct uniform will be contacted and any issues will be discussed.

Students who wear jewellery will be required to remove these. Items of jewellery will be confiscated by the teacher to be collected by the parent/carer.

***Please support the school's uniform policy. If there are exceptional circumstances as to why you are not able to follow the policy, please come and speak to a member of staff.***