



UNIFORM POLICY

**Adopted by the Full Governing Board 17th July 2024,
for review July 2025**

Introduction

At Wyke, we believe that children should take pride in their appearance to uphold the high expectations we have in school. It is the policy of the school that all children will wear our school uniform each day. This fosters a feeling of belonging to our community, and allows children to feel equal to one other.

Intent

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
- Identifies the children with the school
- Supports our commitment to inclusion
- 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.

Implementation

School uniform:

Autumn/Winter

- Red sweatshirt, fleece or cardigan (preferably with school logo*)
- White polo shirt (preferably with school logo*)
- Grey skirt, pinafore, trousers, shorts or skorts
- Black/dark-coloured shoes (not trainers).

Spring/Summer

- Red and white striped or checked dress or white polo shirt (preferably with school logo*)
- Grey skirt, pinafore, trousers, shorts or skorts
- Black/dark coloured shoes (not trainers) or dark-coloured closed-heel sandals (no flip-flops or slip-ons).

New starters in EYFS (Wren Class) will also need a red bookbag.

PE Kit:

All pupils will need:

- Red t-shirt (preferably with school logo*)
- Black/dark shorts
- Plimsolls
- Dark-coloured tracksuit (or a suitable dark-coloured warm top garment for outdoor lessons).

PE Kit for Pupils in Years 3 to 6:

As well as the above, Key Stage Two pupils will need:

- Football boots or trainers
- Dark-coloured tracksuit (or a suitable dark-coloured warm top garment for outdoor lessons).

Black outdoor school shoes must be worn (**not trainers**) with white, black or grey socks/tights.

If a child is required by religion to wear a particular item, this must be agreed by the Headteacher in advance.

Children are expected to have their PE kit in school at all times.

Footwear:

Please note that only black outdoor polishable (or patent) school shoes will be permitted for everyday wear. Trainers, boots, raised heels or soles are not acceptable footwear. In the summer months, children are able to wear dark-coloured closed toed sandals with socks (no flip flops or slip-ons).

Nail polish, transfer tattoos, henna tattoos, make up and face paintings, etc. are not permitted.

Non-Uniform Days

Occasionally, we allow the children to wear non-uniform for rewards or fundraising events. Crop tops, tops with inappropriate slogans, very short skirts or shorts, high heels, etc. are also not permitted.

Jewellery

No jewellery is to be worn, apart from a plain watch and plain small gold or silver ball studs, or clear small plain silicone studs if a child has pierced ears (no sparkly or coloured stones/characters, etc). Studs must be removed during physical activities due to the danger of injury to the wearer and/or other pupils in the class. The School accepts no responsibility for any resulting damage or injury. Whenever possible children should be able to remove their own jewellery before a PE lesson. Where this is not possible parents should ensure that jewellery is not worn on days when PE activities take place. If necessary, studs in newly-pierced ears may be temporarily protected by plaster tape supplied by parents. Parents are encouraged to come to the school office if they are unsure if an item of jewellery is suitable.

Smart Watches

Please be aware that smart watches, including the 'child-friendly' type, are not suitable for school. Some have the facility to take photographs and make recordings, which raises privacy and safeguarding concerns. If your child has one of these watches please ensure it is not worn to school.

Hair Styles

Children's hair styles must be reasonable: more extreme styles, e.g. bright or multi-coloured hair (including 'holiday hair braids'), Mohican haircuts, zig zag, star or any other patterns shaved into hair are not permitted. Long hair must be tied up and children should wear only small red clips, bobbles or alice bands. Other hair accessories (e.g. 'jo-jo bows', cat ears, etc) are not permitted.

The Role of Parents/Carers

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 clearly written in all items. If a parent/carer has difficulties fulfilling this request they are asked to speak confidentially to a senior member of staff. Parents should be 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 and liaises with the Headteacher to ensure 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 Board will monitor and review the school uniform policy annually.

Impact

This policy will ensure that all children are dressed sensibly and appropriately and will feel a sense of belonging in our school community.

Sanctions:

First, we will discuss with the pupil and the parent the reason for incorrect uniform in order to establish a way forward. We will then take appropriate action if any pupil does not adhere to this policy.

Under no circumstance will any pupil be sent home for non-compliance with this policy without first discussing the situation with the child's parent/carer.

School uniform may be purchased from our suppliers:

Kitz UK
Units 1-2
South Western Business Park
Sherborne
DT9 3PS
Tel: 01963 251645
<https://wyke-primary.secure-decoration.com>

***Logoed items are not compulsory: plain uniform items are perfectly suitable and may be purchased from most major supermarkets.**