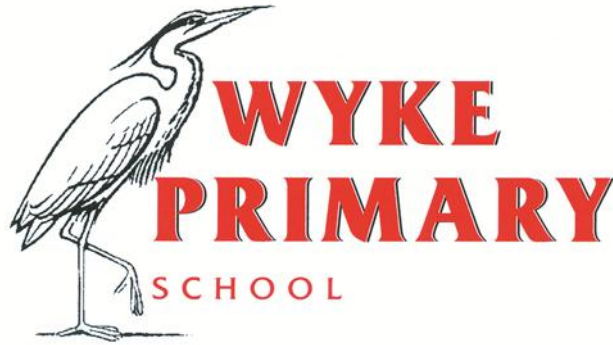




UNIFORM POLICY

**For adoption by the Full Governing Board on 16th July 2026
for review July 2027**

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 (with school logo)
- White polo shirt (preferably with school logo)
- Grey skirt, pinafore, trousers, shorts or skorts
- Black shoes (not trainers), or plain black ankle boots. Please see 'footwear' section below.

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 shoes (not trainers) or dark-coloured closed-heel sandals (no flip-flops or slip-ons). Please see 'footwear' section below.

New starters in Key Stage One will also need a red logoed bookbag (EYFS [Wren Class] to Year 2).

Footwear

Please note that only black outdoor polishable (or patent) school shoes (or ankle boots in Autumn/Winter) will be permitted for everyday wear.

Children may wear **plain black** ankle boots as part of their school uniform. Boots must be smart, practical, and in keeping with the school's uniform expectations. They should be **plain black**, polishable or patent, and **free from decoration, logos, buckles, studs, coloured trims, or other fashion features**. The school reserves the right to determine whether footwear is appropriate and complies with the uniform policy. If parents are unsure whether a particular style of boot meets our uniform requirements, they are encouraged to check with the school office before purchasing.

Trainers, 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, slip-ons or sliders).

Children are expected to wear the correct school footwear at all times. If a child arrives at school wearing incorrect footwear, they will be asked to change into a pair of school plimsolls for movement around the school during the day. This is to ensure safety, consistency, and compliance with the school's uniform expectations.

Socks/Tights

Socks and tights must be white, black or grey.

PE Kit:

All pupils will need:

- Red PE hoodie (with school logo)
- Red t-shirt (preferably with school logo)
- Black shorts (plain, no branding, logos, patterns or designs)
- Black jogging bottoms (plain, no branding, logos, patterns or designs)
- Suitable sports trainers of the child's choice (not fashion trainers).

PE Days

Children should wear their PE kit to school on their designated PE days. These days will be communicated by the class teacher at the start of each term and will remain in place for that term. Pupils will have PE on two separate days each week and should attend school in the correct PE kit on both of these days.

PE Kit for Pupils in Years 3 to 6:

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

- Football boots.

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

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

Non-Uniform Days

On occasion, pupils may be permitted to wear non-uniform for rewards or fundraising events.

Clothing must remain appropriate, safe, and in keeping with a respectful school environment. Items that are not permitted include, but are not limited to: clothing that exposes the midriff (e.g. crop tops), clothing with inappropriate or offensive slogans or imagery, excessively short skirts or shorts, and high-heeled or open-toed footwear, in accordance with footwear section above.

All clothing should be suitable for a school setting and allow pupils to move around safely and comfortably throughout the school day.

Jewellery

No jewellery should be worn in school, with the exception of a plain wristwatch and plain, small stud earrings (gold or silver ball studs, or clear small silicone studs) for pupils with pierced ears. No other jewellery is permitted, including items with coloured stones, sparkles, logos, or character designs, etc.

For health and safety reasons, all earrings must be removed for physical activities, including PE lessons, due to the risk of injury to the wearer and/or other pupils. Where possible, pupils should be able to remove their own earrings before PE. Where this is not possible, parents are expected to ensure that earrings are not worn on PE days. As PE now takes place on set days each week, this should be planned for in advance.

The school accepts no responsibility for any loss or damage to jewellery.

If ears have been recently pierced and studs cannot be removed, parents may provide suitable plaster tape to cover earrings temporarily during PE.

Parents are encouraged to contact the school office if they are unsure whether any item of jewellery is appropriate.

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.

Hairstyles

Children's hairstyles should be smart, safe, and appropriate for a school setting. Extreme styles are not permitted, including dyed, brightly coloured or multi-coloured hair (including temporary colour strands, sprays, or 'holiday hair braids'), Mohican-style cuts, or patterns such as lines, zig-zags, stars or other designs shaved into the hair.

The school recognises and respects cultural and protective hairstyles, including braids and cornrows. These are fully permitted, provided they are kept neat and in line with school expectations.

Long hair must be tied back for safety and practical reasons. Only small, plain red hair accessories should be worn, such as clips, bobbles, or Alice bands. Other hair accessories (e.g. decorative bows, novelty items such as 'jo-jo bows', cat ears, etc.) are not permitted.

Hair should be kept tidy, safe, and suitable for a learning environment.

The Role of Parents/Carers

We believe that one of the key responsibilities of parents and carers is to ensure that their child has the correct school uniform and PE kit, and that these are kept clean, in good repair, and clearly named. All items of clothing and equipment should be clearly labelled with the child's name to support return of lost items.

Where a concern regarding uniform is raised and a note is sent home, we ask that parents and carers take prompt action to rectify the issue without delay.

If, for any reason, a child is unable to attend school in the correct uniform, parents and carers should inform the school office in advance wherever possible, providing the reason and indicating when the issue will be resolved. We appreciate this communication and will always seek to be understanding and supportive.

If parents or carers experience any difficulty in meeting uniform expectations, they are encouraged to speak confidentially with a senior member of staff. We are committed to working together to support families wherever possible.

The Role of the Local Governance Committee

The Local Governance Committee supports the Headteacher in implementing the school uniform policy and works in partnership to ensure it is applied consistently, fairly, and with sensitivity across the school community.

Governors are responsible for ensuring that the school uniform policy complies with all relevant equality legislation and promotes fairness and inclusion for all pupils.

The Committee also ensures that the uniform policy enables pupils to dress sensibly in clothing that is practical, safe, durable, and appropriate for a school environment, while maintaining high standards and supporting the school's expectations for appearance and conduct.

Monitoring and Review

The Local Governance Committee will monitor and review the school uniform policy annually.

Impact

This policy will ensure that all pupils are dressed in a smart, practical, and appropriate manner that supports a safe and effective learning environment. It will promote consistency across the school, helping to reduce peer pressure and minimise distractions linked to clothing and appearance.

By applying the policy consistently and fairly, all pupils will be supported to feel a strong sense of belonging within our school community, with clear expectations that contribute to pride in the school and a positive culture for learning.

Sanctions

In line with our Positive Relationships and Behaviour Policy, we aim to address any uniform concerns in a calm, consistent, and supportive manner, focusing on building positive relationships and working in partnership with families.

In the first instance, an Arbor message will be sent to the parent/carer to highlight any issue of non-compliance with the uniform policy. We expect that concerns are addressed promptly and without delay. If there are any circumstances preventing this, parents/carers should contact the school office as soon as possible to explain the situation and agree a way forward.

It remains the responsibility of parents/carers to ensure their child attends school in correct uniform or to communicate with the school where this is not possible.

Under no circumstances will a pupil be sent home for non-compliance with the uniform policy without prior communication and discussion with the parent/carer.

School uniform may be purchased from our suppliers, Kitz UK:

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

This policy has been updated to reflect current legislation and statutory guidance for schools in England, including requirements relating to equality, inclusion, and fair access to school uniform. It will be reviewed regularly to ensure it remains compliant with legal requirements and aligned with best practice. The school is committed to supporting families in meeting uniform expectations and operates a second-hand uniform provision, where available, to help ensure uniform is affordable and accessible to all families. Parents and carers are encouraged to contact the school office for further information or support if needed.