## ST GERMANS PRIMARY SCHOOL

## UNIFORM POLICY



## Uniform Policy

It is our school policy that all children wear school uniform when attending school, or when participating in school-organised events outside normal school hours. We ask children to take pride in their personal appearance. Items of uniform with the school logo can be bought online from Wovina.com A complete list of the items needed for school uniform including those for Physical Education, is included in this policy (Appendix 1).

Parents agree to our uniform policy when signing the Home School Agreement as their child joins the school.

## 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 within the school
- supports our commitment to inclusion
- makes children appear equal
- is practical, smart and designed with health and safety in mind
- is considered good value for money by most parents


## The Role of Parents

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 written on all items. If a parent has difficulties for any reason with fulfilling this request they are asked to speak confidentially to a senior member of staff to discuss the issues. Parents should be assured that we will do all we can to help. Children who do not have a PE kit will be loaned appropriate kit. Parents will be contacted to discuss the matter.

The school welcomes children from all backgrounds and faith communities. If there are serious reasons, for example on religious grounds, why parents want their child to wear clothes that differ from the school uniform, the school will consider such requests sympathetically. If any parent would like to request a modification to the uniform policy they should, in the first instance, contact the headteacher.

## The Role of Governors

The governing body 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 hard wearing, safe and practical.

## Monitoring and Review

The governing body monitors and reviews the school uniform policy through its committee work by:

- considering, with the headteacher, any requests from parents for individual children to have special dispensation with regard to school uniform
- listening to the views of parents regarding the policy


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

For health and safety reasons we do not allow children to wear jewellery. The exceptions to this rule are ear-ring studs or sleepers in pierced ears.

Wrist watches may be worn but only for the purpose of telling the time. 'Smart' watches linked to mobile phones are not permitted.

Hair bands, ribbons/bows or 'scrunchies' should be plain and either blue or black in colour. Hair bands should not have large flowers or bows attached. Make up and nail varnish should not be worn to school unless for an out of school hours' function, for example a school disco. Extreme hairstyles are not appropriate for school. For health and safety reasons and to ensure it does not distract from learning, we advise that long hair be tied back.

## 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 dark shoes. Plain coloured sandals may be worn in the summer. If boots are worn these should also be plain and suitable for indoor wear. We ask parents to conform to our guidelines on the colour of socks (see below). Coloured or mismatched socks detract from a smart appearance

## School Uniform List

Because we believe it is important that children should wear comfortable, safe and sensible clothing, whilst looking smart and being suitably dressed we ask that parents purchase their jumpers and cardigans with the school logo from our online supplier. We request parents not to buy plain navy items from supermarkets etc.

School uniform, is available for purchase through the online company Wovina.com.
https://www.wovina.com/collections/st-germans-primary-school

## Appendix 1

## Our Uniform

## Girls:

- Grey skirts or pinafore dress
- Grey or black trousers/shorts
- Navy blue cardigan, sweat shirt or school fleece with the school logo
- White / navy blue polo shirt (available with school logo) or white blouse
- In warm weather a blue and white striped or gingham dress
- White, grey or navy socks or tights
- Plain dark coloured shoes or sandals; no trainers please.


## Boys:

- Grey or black trousers or shorts,
- Navy blue sweat shirt or school fleece with the school logo
- White / navy blue polo shirt (available with school logo) or white shirt
- Grey, black or navy socks
- Plain dark coloured shoes or sandals; no trainers please.
P.E.:
- Suitable footwear trainers or plimsolls, (Velcro fastenings are essential for younger children),
- Navy or black shorts
- White T shirt. (available with school logo)
- Navy or black jogging bottoms/track suit would be useful for outdoor lessons in cold weather

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

All school uniform and P.E. kit MUST be named. Children can become upset as a result of lost clothing, please help us by naming everything. It is expensive to have to replace lost uniform.

