

St Andrew's CE (VA) Infant School

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Aims

Our policy for children's uniform is based on the belief that a school uniform:

- ✓ Promotes a sense of pride in the school.
- ✓ Provides our children with a sense of belonging and an identity with St Andrew's Church of England Infant School
- ✓ Ensures children are seen as equals to their peers.
- ✓ Supports positive behaviour and discipline.
- ✓ Protects children from social pressures to dress in a particular way.
- ✓ Encourages cohesion and promotes good relations between different groups of pupils.
- ✓ Is regarded as suitable and is good value for money.
- ✓ Supports effective teaching and learning.
- ✓ Is non-gender specific to promote equality.

Principles

- All children wear school uniform.
- We pride ourselves on high standards of appearance of the children and a smart uniform provides visitors with a good impression of the school.
- Our uniform is practical and smart everyday wear for young children and has been designed with health and safety in mind. It is not designed to be fashionable.
- A uniform is easily identifiable when out on trips/working with other schools, assisting staff in keeping our children safe.

COMPULSORY ITEMS

Red school logo sweatshirts OR red school logo cardigan
Red school logo PE kit (PE bag, red t-shirt with school logo & navy shorts)
Red school logo book bag

1. Dark grey trousers, dark grey skirts, white polo shirts, dark grey pinafores, plain white polo shirts, checked red and white summer dresses etc. can be bought from any shop or supermarket.
2. Plain sweatshirts, cardigans, jeans, tracksuits, leggings, leisurewear must not be worn except on non-uniform days.
3. Children should wear white, black or grey socks or plain grey, black or red tights.

4. **BLACK SHOES or BLACK FLAT, ANKLE BOOTS.** No trainers, open sandals, canvas shoes etc.
5. All clothing should be clearly named.



Strategies for ensuring all pupils wear consistent uniform

- Prices are kept at a minimum and reviewed regularly to ensure best value.
- Parents/carers are informed of the school uniform prior to applying for a place at the school through the school website.
- Parents/carers who have accepted a place for their child at the school are informed of the uniform at the New Parents' Meeting and are given details of our uniform.
- Parents/carers accepting a place for their child mid-year are informed of the policy.
- Regular reminders are given to parents/carers about correct school uniform through newsletters.
- If a child attends school in inappropriate footwear (trainers/boots/wellies) they will be asked to change into their black school pumps indoors to look smart.
- If a child attends school in other inappropriate uniform, children will be loaned a pre-owned item of school uniform to wear for the day.
- For children who frequently wear incorrect/unsuitable items of school uniform parents will be contacted by the Head Teacher.
- As a school we are considerate if a child does not adhere to the school uniform policy and try to find out what is happening so that where possible a problem can be remedied. With young children, lack of appropriate uniform is the responsibility of the parent/carer so the Head of School will discuss the issues with the parents and agree a suitable resolution. Parents are welcome to come into school to discuss these issues.
- All items of clothing, shoes, bags and PE kit must be named.

Purchasing Uniform

- Uniform can be purchased via:
 - ✓ www.schooltrends.co.uk and delivered direct to your home address.
 - ✓ FHB Uniform online <https://www.fhbschooluniform.co.uk/> or in shop at Kershaw's Garden Centre
 - ✓ <https://myclothing.com/>
- Book bags are purchased direct from school via the MCAS app once your child is enrolled with us.
- We have a small stock of preloved uniform. We advertise our sales of this, but please email the office if you require any uniform in between these sales.