

Vane Road Primary School
Uniform Policy

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Vane Road Primary School believes that the appearance of the members of its community is important. Young people come to school not merely for academic input but also to absorb an ethos and culture which is reflected in the code of conduct, general behaviour and expectations.

Aims

Our policy for school uniform is based on the notion that school uniform:

- Promotes a sense of pride in the school
- Engenders a sense of community and belonging towards the school
- Is practical and smart
- Makes children feel equal to their peers in terms of appearance
- Is regarded as suitable wear for school and is considered by parents as good value for money
- Is designed with health and safety in mind

The school uniform is:

a grey skirt, trousers or pinafore, maroon cardigan, pullover or sweatshirt and a white blouse or white polo shirt.

Both boys and girls are to wear black school shoes.

Children are not permitted to wear leggings.

Please note that neither track suit bottoms nor trainers are appropriate.

*For safety reasons we ask that girls **do not** wear sling back sandals or shoes with platform wedges or high heels.*

Please ensure that all children's clothes are marked with their name.

School Stock

In the case that a child arrives at school without their school uniform on the school will provide the child with a clean uniform to wear for that day.

Refusal to co-operate with this would be dealt with under the terms of the School's Behaviour and Discipline policy.

Other Clothing Needs

Children will require plain black shorts and white T-shirts for P.E. Children have bare feet or plimsols for indoor PE. Children will need trainers for outdoor games. Tracksuits may be worn during the colder weather.

For reasons of hygiene, children should not arrive at school in P.E. wear, but should be able to change for lessons. PE clothes should be kept in a bag which will be hung on a peg.

Footwear

The school wants all children to grow into healthy adults. We believe that it is dangerous for children to wear shoes that have platform soles or high heels and we strongly discourage the wearing of such. Neither is it in keeping with the smart appearance of a school uniform.

Jewellery

No item of jewellery other than wrist watches should be worn for school. Our no jewellery policy is in the interests of your child's safety.

Makeup

The wearing of makeup is not permitted for children in the school. This includes nail varnish and fake tan.

Tattoos should also be removed before coming to school.

Hair

Children are encouraged to have their hair well brushed and clean for each day.

Haircuts should be even and of their natural colour. That is to say that lines, patterns and 'tails' are not appropriate for school. All hair which is long should be tied up. This is to prevent the spread of head lice.

The Role of Parents

We ask all parents who send their children to our school to support the school uniform policy. It is the responsibility of parents to ensure that their child has the correct uniform and that it is clean and in good repair.

The Role of Governors

It is the governors' responsibility to ensure that the school uniform meets all the regulations concerning equal opportunities. The governors will consider, with the Headteacher, any requests from parents for individual children to have special dispensation, either for religious or medical reasons, with regard to school uniform.

On a day to day basis the Head teacher has the final say in any uncertainties that may arise.

This policy, which has been endorsed by the Governing Body, will be reviewed every 3 years.