



Marriott Primary

Achieving Together

UNIFORM POLICY

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1. Introduction

It is our school policy that all children wear school uniform when attending school, or when participating in a school-organised event outside normal school hours. We provide a complete list of the items needed for school uniform in our school prospectus. Further information about our uniform can be found on the school website.

In light of the COVID-19 pandemic, all children should wear uniform on a daily basis and the school will operate a flexible approach if parents are unable to provide fresh uniform clothes every day.

2. Aims and objectives

Our policy on 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;
- identifies the children with the school;
- prevents children from coming to school in fashion clothes that could be distracting in class; makes children feel equal to their peers in terms of appearance;
- is regarded as suitable wear for school and good value for money by most parents;
- is designed with health and safety in mind.

3. Jewellery

On health and safety grounds we do not allow children to wear jewellery in our school. The exceptions to this rule are ear-ring studs in pierced ears, and small objects of religious significance, such as a crucifix on a chain. We ask the children to remove these objects during PE and games, (or where ears are only recently pierced, cover them with tape), to prevent them from causing injury.

4. Haircuts

We ask that parents keep boys and girls long hair tied back.

5. Footwear

The school wants all children to grow into healthy adults and believe that it is dangerous for children to wear shoes that have platform soles, high heels or strappy sandals. Ugg boots or the equivalent are not suitable for running around in the playground. The school is happy for children to wear plain black trainers to school as long as they have a change of footwear for PE.

6. The role of parents

We ask all parents who send their children to our school to support the school uniform policy. We believe that parents have a duty to send their children to school correctly dressed and ready for their daily schoolwork.

If any parent would like the school to modify the uniform policy, they should make representation, in the first instance, to the Headteacher(s). The school welcomes children from all backgrounds and faith communities and 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.

7. The role of governors

The governing body supports the Headteacher(s) in implementing the school uniform policy. It considers all representations from parents regarding the uniform policy and liaises with the Headteacher(s) 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 helps children to dress sensibly, in clothing that is hardwearing, safe, practical and appropriate for school.

8. Review

The governing body will review the policy on a regular basis.