



Carfield

Primary School

Uniform Policy
2022-2023

1 Introduction

1.1 It is our school policy that all children wear school dress 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 dress in our school starter pack. A full list of uniform items is also available from the school office. The Carfield colours are navy blue and white

The dress code is as follows:

- White polo shirt
- Navy blue sweatshirt
- Navy blue cardigan
- Blue summer dress
- grey or black trousers, shorts or skirts
- grey or black pinafore dress
- black or dark shoes – no designer trainers please (in the Summer, closed toe sandals with ankle straps may be worn)

PE kit is as follows:

- white t-shirt or vest
- black shorts (black joggers/leggings may be worn for outdoor PE in winter)
- black plimsolls or trainers for outside PE

2 Aims and objectives

2.1 Our policy on school dress is based on the notion that school dress:

- 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

3.1 On health and safety grounds we do not allow children to wear jewellery in our school, the only exception to this are stud earrings and **small** objects of religious significance, where permission to do so is received in writing.

No jewellery is to be worn for any physical activity, including watches and wristbands, in line with Local Authority guidance. Under no circumstances can jewellery be taped over during physical education activities, even if parents have given written permission to do so. Earrings must be removed prior to a PE lesson, either by the child or their parent prior to the lesson. Failure to remove earrings will result in a child being asked to sit out of a lesson. Parents are made aware of this when considering children having ears pierced during term time (we recommend that ears are pierced at the beginning of the 6 week summer holiday). Long hair, irrespective of gender, must be tied back.

4 Footwear

4.1 We believe that it is dangerous for children to wear unsuitable shoes due to the nature of our site, so we actively discourage children to wear inappropriate footwear in our school. We require all children

to wear shoes as stated in the dress list. Children wearing unsuitable footwear may be asked to wear plimsolls during the day if necessary.

5 The role of parents

5.1 We ask all parents who send their children to our school to support the school dress policy. We believe that parents have a duty to send their children to school appropriately dressed and ready for their daily schoolwork. It is the responsibility of parents to ensure that their child has the appropriate dress, and that it is clean and in good repair. We also ask that all uniform is labelled with a name.

5.2 If any parent would like the school to modify the dress policy, they should make representation, in the first instance, to the Headteacher. 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 dress, the school will look sympathetically at such requests.

6 The role of governors

6.1 The governing body supports the Headteacher in implementing the school dress policy. It considers all representations from parents regarding the dress policy and liaises with the Headteacher to ensure that the policy is implemented fairly and with sensitivity.

6.2 It is the governors' responsibility to ensure that the school dress meets all regulations concerning equal opportunities.

6.3 Governors ensure that the school dress policy helps children to dress sensibly, in clothing that is hardwearing, safe and practical.

7 Monitoring and review

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

- seeking the views of parents, to ensure that they agree with and support the policy;
- considering, with the Headteacher, any requests from parents for individual children to have special dispensation with regard to school dress;
- requiring the Headteacher to report to the governors on the way the school dress policy is implemented.