



CRADLEY C OF E VA PRIMARY SCHOOL

UNIFORM POLICY

Vision Statement: Enriching Lives

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UNIFORM POLICY AIMS AND OBJECTIVES

Rationale

This Policy has 'Every Child Matters', 'Excellence and Enjoyment', the school's 'Healthy School' and 'Eco School' ethos and the school's Mission Statement and Aims at its heart.

Our School Uniform is important to us. It is one way in which we identify ourselves as a school family and it promotes a strong, cohesive school identity which supports high standards and expectations in all areas of school life. It promotes harmony between different groups represented in the school, and it enhances security, assisting the school to identify individual pupils in order to maintain good order and spot intruders more easily. Smartness and high standards of appearance are expected at all times.

Aims

At Cradley C of E Primary School, we believe that a school uniform is important, because it:

- looks smart
- wears well
- contributes to a sense of belonging
- gives a common purpose
- fosters a feeling of pride
- reduces 'fashion competition' between children.

All children should wear the uniform and we encourage them to maintain an acceptable standard of clean and tidy dress in school. The uniform has been chosen after extensive consultation. It is readily available and inexpensive.

Uniform

Children with shoulder length hair should come to school with their hair tied back this will also reduce the spread of head lice. The school discourages children to have extreme haircuts, styles or accessories that could serve as a distraction to themselves and/or the other children. Parents should label all items of clothing clearly with their child's name.

The school takes pride in its school community and to identify pupils with Cradley School they wear:

- long or short grey trousers or a grey skirt
- red polo shirts
- red round-necked sweatshirt
- white, black or grey socks
- sensible black shoes - not boots or trainers

The polo shirt and sweatshirt with the school logo are available for purchase from local providers, details from the school office.

Summer (Optional)

- Girls: red-check dresses (available from High Street Stores).
- Boys: N/A
- Closed toed sandals – not crocs

P.E. and Games

All children are expected to change for P.E. and Games in the interest of hygiene. All children should have:

- black shorts
- red top or Cradley red T-shirt
- trainers

Those who play football and rugby should have football boots and shin pads. Track suit bottoms, joggers or leggings and a plain red hoodie are recommended for Winter.

Fashion Items/Other

For safety reasons, children are not permitted to wear jewellery in school. If ears have been pierced, stud earrings or small hoops may be worn, but should be removed for P.E. If a child needs to wear a piece of jewellery for medical or religious reasons, it should be removed or covered up during physical activity.

Children come to school to learn. We believe that fashion items are best kept for home, and for reasons such as health, safety and inclusion fashion accessories such as make-up, nail polish, excessive hair gel, jewellery other than stud earrings and watches, should not be worn. Consideration will be given to special circumstances by the Headteacher. These rules may also be relaxed Special days e.g. comic relief.

Appropriate sunhats should be worn outside during sunny weather. This is not only for reasons of smartness, appearance and health and safety: Pupils' faces should not be obscured as the teacher may not be able to judge their engagement with learning and to secure their participation in discussions and practical activities.

Non-Compliance with the School Uniform Policy

There is an expectation that children will comply with the school uniform policy. If there needs to be any temporary breaches in the policy parents should inform the class teacher or Head teacher. Children who choose not to comply will be spoken to by the class teacher, parents informed and if persistent the Headteacher will be informed. The Headteacher will work with the child and parents, within the Behaviour policy guidance, to resolve any issues.