



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 does not permit children to have extreme haircuts, styles or accessories that could serve as a distraction to themselves and/or the other children. For this reason children are not allowed to wear hair gel or hair spray to school or to bring hair gel or hair spray into school.

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
- white polo shirts
- red round-necked sweatshirt
- white, black or grey socks

- sensible black shoes - not boots or trainers
- During social distancing when windows need to be kept open, children are permitted to wear a red or black hoodie or fleece at school but are not permitted to put the hoods up inside.

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

Summer (Optional)

- Red-check dresses (available from High Street Stores).
- 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:

- white top or Cradley T shirt
- black plimsolls (optional)
- Trainers
- red shorts

Those who play football and rugby should have football boots, a red rugby shirt or a black track suit for team games. Track suits are recommended for classes 3, 4 and 5 for the winter.

Fashion Items/Other

For safety reasons, children are not permitted to wear jewellery in school. If ears have been pierced, stud earrings may be worn, but should be removed or covered 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, 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 on 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

The Headteacher may discipline a pupil for breach of the Uniform Policy. Exclusion may be considered where breaches of the Uniform Policy are 'persistent and defiant'. The Headteacher, or another member of staff with delegated authority, may ask a pupil to go home to remedy a breach of the school's rules on uniform or

appearance. In such a case, parents will be notified and any absence associated with this will be recorded as 'authorised'.

Further Information/Important Resource

DCSF www.teachernet.gov.uk/management/atoz/u/uniform