



UNIFORM POLICY

“Springfield is a caring, supportive and innovative school where everyone is recognised and appreciated as an individual. The golden thread running through our vision is the mental health and wellbeing of our school community. By creating a safe, supportive and relational environment for all, we enable our children to be ambitious and to reach their full potential, so that they can take their place in their community and in the wider world.”

Aims

Through this policy we aim to ensure that within our school we wish to promote an atmosphere which encourages effort, enjoyment and a celebration of the achievements of all our pupils. The schools concern for these high standards is also reflected in the pride we take in our school uniform and feeling of belonging it creates.

There are many positive reasons for a school dress code, including:

- Dress codes create a sense of school pride and belonging.
- A dress code encourages students to express their individuality through personality and academic achievements, not outward appearances.
- A dress code puts the focus on academics, not fashion.
- Dress codes can be less expensive.
- Dress codes eliminate pressure to wear brand name clothing.
- It is designed with health and safety in mind.
- It prevents children from coming to school in fashion clothes that could be distracting in class.
- A dress code makes children feel equal to their peers in terms of appearance.

Uniform

In order to maintain a strong sense of identity and belonging within our school, we require all pupils to wear school uniform which consists of;

Reception - Year 5

- Emerald Green Sweatshirt/Cardigan with/without the school logo
- White polo-shirt without logo
- Grey trousers - no jeans or leggings
- Grey skirt of a suitable length or grey pinafore
- Green or grey tights/grey socks
- Black, flat sensible, safe, shoes - no trainers
- An outdoor coat (essential during the winter months)

Summer months

- Grey shorts- no cycling shorts
- Green gingham dress (with white socks) or
- Green gingham shorts (girls)
- **Optional** sun hat

PE Kit

- White plain round neck t-shirt without logo
- Black shorts/plain black leggings/plain black tracksuit bottoms
- Black plimsolls- no trainers
- Plimsolls to be kept in a draw-string bag provided by school.

For Year 6

- Royal blue v necked jumper or cardigan with/without school logo.
- White collared shirt (boys)
- White collared blouse suitable for a tie (girls)
- A school tie.
- Grey trousers
- Grey skirt of a suitable length or grey pinafore
- Blue or grey tights/grey socks
- Black, flat sensible, safe shoes- no trainers
- An outdoor coat (essential during the winter months)

Summer months

- Grey shorts- no cycling shorts
- Blue gingham dress (with white socks) or
- Blue gingham shorts (girls)
- **Optional** sun hat

Footwear - Pupils should wear smart and sensible black school shoes only.

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 they are not permitted in school. Neither do we allow the wearing of trainers or canvas pumps to school. This type of footwear is damaging, in the long term, to growing feet and is only appropriate for sports, PE or leisurewear (playtimes). Neither is it in keeping with the smart appearance of a school uniform. Boots are only permitted in the winter season; however, these must be plain black no heels, studs, buckles tassels etc. If children come into school with inappropriate footwear, they will be asked to change into PE pumps for the remainder of the school day.

Hairstyles

Hairstyles must be sensible and appropriate for school; extreme haircuts are not acceptable.

- Hair should be no shorter than a number 2 razor cut.
- Tram lines or patterns are not allowed.
- Extreme colouration or particularly noticeable variations in colour or length are not allowed.
- Long hair (longer than shoulder length) **MUST** be tied back to ensure pupil safety
- Hair extensions and hair wraps are not allowed.
- Hair accessories must be small (no bigger than 5cm in length or width) and in Springfield colours (Emerald Green for R-Y5 or Royal blue for Y6)

The definition of an extreme hairstyle is at the discretion of the Senior Leadership Team.

Jewellery

Jewellery including earrings are not permitted in school at any point. If a child comes into school wearing earrings, they/parents will be asked to remove them. Plain watches may be worn.

Make-Up

No make-up or nail varnish should be worn.

Equipment

- Pencil cases and other stationary equipment are not required in school as the school provides all the resources/equipment that children may need.
- No knives or sharp blades should be brought into the school in any circumstances

- Mobile phones should not be brought into school or if required and permission has been granted, via the headteacher, this must be left with Mrs Collett in the office
- No money should be brought to school unless for a specific permissible purpose
- Pupils should bring their book bag into school every day.

Non-Compliance with the School Uniform Policy

If a pupil breaches the Uniform Policy parents will be notified. Parents will be expected to rectify the situation.

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. Where this means a child staying off school, this will be logged as an unauthorised absence.

Review

This policy will be reviewed in September 2024