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Elsworth CE (A) Primary School

School 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.

Elsworth CE Primary School uniform consists of:

- Navy blue sweatshirt, navy cardigan or jumper
- Sky blue polo or cotton shirt
- Navy or grey skirt, pinafore, trousers or shorts
- Summer dress: blue and white check or stripes
- Black shoes with black, white, navy or grey socks / tights

For PE:

- Team colour t-shirt (plain)
- Plain navy or black PE shorts or games skirt
- Plain navy or black jogging bottoms and sweatshirt – no hoodies
- Plimsolls or trainers
- A draw string bag to keep PE kit in school
- All school uniform must be named.

Clothing with the school logo is optional but preferred

Indoor Shoes

- All children are expected to change into practical indoor shoes e.g. plimsolls, rubber soled soft shoes, etc

1.1 Aims and Objectives

Our policy for school uniform is based on the notion that school uniform:

- Promotes a sense of pride in the school
- Creates a sense of community and belonging towards the school
- Is practical and smart
- Makes children feel equal to their peers in terms of appearance
- Is regarded as suitable wear for school and is considered by parents as good value for money
- Is designed with health and safety in mind

1.2 Footwear

Black sensible shoes, no trainers. The school would like 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 we strongly discourage the wearing of such.

All children are expected to change into practical indoor shoes e.g. plimsols, rubber soled soft shoes, etc

If, in the winter, boots are worn to school, then a pair of school shoes must be brought to school for the child to change into.

Plain, practical single-coloured sandals (white, navy blue, black or tan) may be worn in the summer.

1.3 Hair

Hairstyles must be sensible and appropriate for school. All long hair must be tied back when children come to school. This is to avoid health and safety risks and ensure that children's vision is not impeded.

Hair bands and scrunchies in school colours, but children should be discouraged from wearing fancy hair bands as some designs could cause injury.

1.4 Jewellery

The only permitted jewellery that may be worn is:

- One pair of stud earrings (no other piercings are permitted)
- A sensible wristwatch (not a smartwatch)

Jewellery is the responsibility of the pupil and not the school. Lost or damaged items will not be refunded.

All jewellery must be removed during practical lessons, for example, PE lessons / swimming lessons.

If children cannot remove their own earrings, then this should be done at home on the day of PE.

1.5 Make up

No make-up, including nail varnish

False nails and nail extensions are not permitted.

Pupils wearing make-up are required to remove it or, if appropriate, will be sent home to remove it.

2. Purchasing School Uniform

Sweatshirts, polo shirts, PE T-shirts, zip-up fleeces, book bags and PE bags can be purchased online from Chroma, Unit 10, Wulfric Square, Bretton, Peterborough PE3 8RF

<https://www.chromasport.co.uk/>

3. The Role of Parents

We ask all parents who send their children to our school to support the school uniform policy. It is the responsibility of parents to ensure that their child has the correct uniform and that it is clean and in good repair. Where a parent is temporarily unable to send their child to school in the appropriate uniform, permission must be sought from the Headteacher who must agree that the reasons are valid. All items must be named.

4. The Role of Governors

It is the Governors' responsibility to ensure that the school uniform meets all the regulations concerning equal opportunities. The Governors will consider, with the Headteacher, any requests from parents for individual children to have special dispensation, either for religious or medical reasons, with regard to school uniform.