



School Policies

UNIFORM POLICY

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Uniform Policy

At Shorefields School we believe that our school uniform promotes the ethos of the school, provides our students with a sense of belonging and identity and helps our students to follow a routine, associating particular clothing as a cue for going to school.

When developing our Uniform Policy, careful consideration was given to cost as well as the practical requirements, personal care and comfort needed for our children and young adults throughout their day at school.

We have engaged with parents and students and considered their views in our policy. As a result, it has been decided that our KS4/KS5 students are not required to wear school uniform and that uniform clothing for the rest of the school is flexible and can be adapted to suit the varying physical needs of each student. Whilst we fully encourage families to follow our school uniform policy, there will be no discipline for pupils who choose not to wear school uniform for personal reasons.

Branded Items

Although we have a school logo it is not a requirement for this to be on all clothing items worn in school. Generic items are widely available from a range of local outlets including supermarkets and other low-cost providers. Parents and carers may prefer to purchase a minimum amount of branded items, limit their use and choose to use low cost items purchased from a variety of retailers, which can be bought in more cost effective packs.

Supplier

We currently use School Trends to supply our branded uniform. They continue to provide competitive rates and a review of the contract is regularly carried out to ensure that the best value for money is offered. They provide a variety of high quality, ethically sourced products in an extensive range of sizes and colours to choose from.

New parents and carers are given information in their welcome pack which provides information about ordering and delivery of uniform which is available to purchase all year round.

Uniform Specification

The combination of uniform is chosen by parents and carers according to what they feel is most comfortable, affordable and suitable for the physical needs of their child. We appreciate that it may not always be possible for students to fit into certain clothing, particularly if they have undergone surgery or have specific feeding, medical, sensory or moving and handling requirements. All items can be purchased from School Trends (with logo) and from other outlets such as supermarkets (without logo)

Please see guide below:

School Pupils- EYFS – KS3 – all items can be branded or generic

White or sky-blue polo shirt.

Blue gingham dress (summer).

Black, navy or grey trousers or jogging pants.

Black, navy or grey skirt or pinafore.

Blue cardigan, jumper or sweatshirt.

College- KS4/ KS5

Although uniform is not a requirement for KS4/ KS5 pupils, some pupils may like to purchase an optional grey hoodie (branded) from School Trends.

Footwear

Practical & Sensible shoes/ trainers.

Specialised footwear – depending on the needs of the child.

PE Clothing

We try to encourage where appropriate students to change for PE, as this helps some students to learn independence, however this will be decided upon on an individual due to each pupils physical needs.

If appropriate students can wear:

Black shorts, white t shirt, plimsolls or trainers (optional).