



Swallowdale School Uniform Policy

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Responsible Officer:	Headteacher

Introduction

It is our policy that all children should wear school uniform when attending school, or when participating in a school organised event outside the normal school hours. The policy specifies exactly what choices there are and what we recommend that pupils should wear. All children and families who attend Swallowdale Primary are expected to support the implementation of this policy.

Aims and Objectives

Our school ethos and values underpin all our policies and the uniform policy is no exception. Our ethos of fly high together is built upon the importance of everybody feeling as though they belong to the community. We believe that a school uniform exemplifies this and our values in the following ways.

Be Safe

- Supports positive behaviour.
- Is practical and smart.
- Identifies the children from the school and allows children to be identified when representing the school.

Be Ready

- Is regarded as suitable and good value for money by most families.
- Models for children from an early age the implication of policy on daily life.

Be Respectful

- Promotes a sense of pride in the school.
- Engenders a feeling of community and belonging.
- Does not discriminate against the protected characteristics.

Be Ready for the day

Clothing

- Navy sweatshirt or cardigan, preferably with the school logo - hooded sweatshirts are not permitted.
- White or blue polo shirt.
- Grey, navy or black tailored school trousers, shorts, skirts or pinafore dresses. Leggings and cycle shorts are not permitted to be worn as stand-alone items of our normal daily uniform. Cycling shorts can be worn under skirts if preferred. They can be worn for PE lessons.
- Blue checked dress, skirt or formal shorts.
- Grey, black, navy or white socks/ tights.
- Black shoes or smart, all black trainers - no open toes or high heels.

Bags and Equipment

- Foundation children should bring a Swallowdale School book bag to school every day.
- KS1 and KS2 children should bring either a book bag or a suitable bag in which to put their reading book and water bottle.
- Children are encouraged to bring a water bottle to school every day.

Hair and Jewellery

- Children are permitted to wear a single studded earring, however these must be removed or covered for PE.
- Children are permitted to wear a watch to school but these cannot be Smart watches.
- Long hair (touching shoulder or below) should be tied up at all times with minimal hair decoration.
- Nail varnish or any other forms of makeup are not permitted.

Be Ready for PE

- Plain white t-shirt with or without the school logo, but no other logos.
- Black/navy PE shorts, no logo.
- Plain black/navy jogging bottoms or leggings.
- Plain black/navy hooded top or sweatshirt.
- Plimsols, without laces, for children in Year R and Year 1.
- Plimsols or trainers for children in Year 2 to 6.
- PE bag clearly labelled with child's name.

If children do not have the full PE kit, then they will be unable to participate in PE lessons.

Be Ready for Swimming

- Swimming trunks (not Bermuda style shorts).
- One-piece swimming costume.
- Towel.
- Goggles only with written consent from family member with parental responsibility - please contact the school office for assistance with this.

Be Ready for Outdoor Learning

We ask that families ensure all children are provided with suitable clothing for outdoor learning and play. In the winter months a warm coat, with a hat, gloves and scarf as appropriate. In the summer months an appropriate sun hat may be worn.

Purchasing Uniform Supplies

The Swallowdale Primary School uniform can be purchased by visiting www.yourschooluniform.com. Items can also be purchased from Kidzone clothing shop (Phone: 01664 500100).

We recognise that funding the cost of uniform can be expensive for all families. SWAF run second hand uniform sales through the year to support this. Please contact the office for further details on second hand uniform.

Inclusion and Equality

As outlined in our school's Equality Information and Objectives, Swallowdale Primary aims to meet its obligation under the public sector equality duty by having due regard to its obligations under the Human Rights Act 1998 and the Equality Act 2010. In compiling this policy, Swallowdale considers the impact of our policy on pupils who share a protected characteristic. The relevant protected characteristics which we consider:

- sex.
- religion or belief.
- race (including colour, nationality, ethnic or national origin).
- disability.
- gender reassignment.
- pregnancy.

Swallowdale Primary will always consider reasonable adjustment where required. Families should arrange to discuss any concerns with the Headteacher.

Addressing Breaches of the Policy

It is the expectation that all children and families will support the uniform policy. This is important for unity and consistency across our school. Our ethos is to fly high together and it is only through the same expectation for all, that this will occur. Where children do not present for school following the agreed policy including any agreed reasonable adjustments, staff will follow the process below. Class teacher should make contact within 48 hours of the first incident noted.

Step 1: Where appropriate to address with child in the first instance.

Step 2: Discussion/ contact from class teacher to family to discuss breach of uniform policy. Expectation that issue is resolved immediately.

Step 3: Follow-up from class teacher to family if issue is not resolved. Expectation that issue is resolved immediately.

Step 4 Contact from phase leader to inform family of breach of policy. Expectation that issue is resolved immediately. Recorded onto Arbor under parental communication.

Step 5: Email from Headteacher to outline expectations.

Step 6: Invitation to discuss with Headteacher.

Complaints

Any complaints with regards to the school's uniform policy should be made following the agreed process. Please refer to the Bradgate Education Partnerships' Complaint Policy.