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# Kentish Town Church of England Primary School 



## SCHOOL UNIFORM POLICY

## 1. Introduction

In response to requests from parents/carers, and after consultation within the school community, the Governing Board has agreed to introduce a school uniform.

## 2. Aims and Objectives

We believe that a school uniform will:

- Promote a sense of pride in the school;
- Engender a sense of community and belonging to the school;
- Be practical and smart;
- Identify children with the school;
- Prevent children from coming to school in "fashion clothes" that could be distracting or competitive;
- Make children feel equal to their peers in terms of appearance;
- Be regarded as suitable wear for school and good value by most parents;
- Have health and safety in mind;
- Be of particular help in identifying children whilst out of school on trips.


## 3. Date of implementation

The uniform was introduced at the beginning of the autumn term 2004.
4. To whom does the uniform apply?

All children will be required to adopt the uniform.
5. Of what does the uniform consist?

- Plain white Polo or T shirt (School logo recommended)
- Navy blue Polo or T shirt (School logo recommended)
- Navy blue tracksuit bottoms, skirt, trousers/leggings or shorts
- Navy blue pinafore/gingham dress
- Navy blue fleece, cardigan, sweatshirt (School logo recommended)
- Navy blue or white socks.

The school uniform is available to purchase online from Stitch Design Limited.
PE Kit - Navy blue shorts, jogging bottoms, white crew neck T-shirt and trainers or plimsoles. From Year 3 onwards children are expected to wear the PE kit in all PE lessons.

The following items are NOT part of our uniform and should not be worn in school:

- fashion logos of any sort
- hooded fleeces/sweat shirts
- denim items


## Footwear

Children need to wear appropriate footwear in which they can run, climb, jump and play. The following items are not to be worn in school:

- sandals
- "Crocs"
- football boots
- trainers with lights or wheels
- high fashion or heeled shoes

Additional clothing worn for the purpose of religious observance (eg. a headscarf) is permitted, provided it does not raise any health and safety concerns and does not obscure the child's face.

## Jewellery and Valuables

Children must not wear or bring jewellery or valuables to school. Children may wear a watch and a single pair of simple studs if they have pierced ears. Make up of any sort is not permitted.

If a child is found to have other jewellery, or valuables including a mobile phone, s/he will be asked to hand it into the office for safe keeping. The item may be collected at the end of the school day, but a reminder will sent home that bringing valuables to school is not acceptable.

Children must not wear any earrings including stud earrings for PE / swimming

- Earrings must be removed by the child for PE.
- Wearing plasters over the earrings is not permitted.


## 6. The role of parents/carers

We ask all parents/carers who send their children to our school to support the school uniform policy. We believe that parents have a duty to send their children to school correctly dressed and ready for their schoolwork. One of the responsibilities of parents is to ensure that their child has the correct uniform, that it is clean and in good repair, and that all items are clearly labelled.

## 7. The role of governors

It is the Governing Board that implements the school uniform policy, but which acts in close co-operation with the headteacher in its fair and sensitive implementation, and in matters concerning equal opportunities, health, and safety issues.

In adopting this policy, the governors have given consideration to cost implications and the availability of items in normal retail outlets. The ethical policies of the suppliers of items carrying the logo have been investigated.

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. This policy, which has been endorsed by the Board of Governors, will be reviewed regularly.

## 8. Non-compliance with the school uniform policy

If a child attends school without uniform, a letter will be sent home by the school office in the first instance reminding parents/carers of the school uniform policy. On a second occasion, parents/carers will be invited to meet with the headteacher or his/her deputy, to explain why they are not complying with the policy. If the situation cannot be resolved, parents/carers will be asked to meet with a panel of the Governing Board who shall decide on an appropriate course of action.

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