



Thorpe Church of England Primary School

Faith, Love and Excellence

Dress Code Policy

Ratified by Chairman's Actions - Autumn 2017

Date of next review - Autumn 2020

1. Rationale

At Thorpe Church of England Primary School we aim to foster a feeling of community within our school. Our children wear school uniform as we believe that it is smart, it gives the school an identity and it gives the child a sense of belonging and children act as ambassadors for our school. We believe that staff are role models for pupils and should dress accordingly. We believe that both staff and pupils should dress appropriately for the activities they are undertaking.

2. Guidelines for Implementation

Pupils' Dress

Our school uniform is royal blue, grey and yellow as follows:

Foundation Stage and Key Stage 1 (age 4 - 7)		Key Stage 2 (age 7-11)	
Reception Year, Year 1 and Year 2		Years 3, 4, 5 and 6	
Girls	Boys	Girls	Boys
Yellow polo tops with school logo		White shirt - with Royal Blue tie with double thin gold stripe (no clip-ons or elastic)	
		White polo tops with school logo *	
Grey trousers or shorts		Grey trousers or shorts	
Grey skirts or pinafore dresses		Grey skirts or pinafore dresses	
Summer dresses blue and white check*		Summer dresses blue and white check*	
Sweatshirts/cardigans royal blue with school logo			
Plain socks black, grey or white (no colours)			
Tights grey, black or royal blue		Tights grey, black or royal blue T	
Black shoes			

*summer only- optional

Dressing for PE (Wednesdays)

During PE it is important for reasons of hygiene and safety that pupils and staff have appropriate clothing (see timetable for class PE session). Pupils are required to bring trainers or black pumps, a yellow school PE top and a pair of navy blue shorts, in a yellow school drawstring bag. PE bags are available from the school office. Children may wear tracksuits for outdoor games in cold weather. For swimming each child will need a towel, a swimsuit and a rubber swim hat. Children will not be able to swim without a hat.

We ask parents to name all items of clothing so that we can return lost property.

School Trips

During school trips all children will wear smart uniform so that they can be easily identified and act as ambassadors for our school.

Art and Craft

For some art and craft activities it is important to protect clothing. Children will be provided with an apron. KS2 pupils are asked to bring in an Art shirt to protect their uniform.

Jewellery

- Pupils may wear watches and religious jewellery*.
- Pupils with pierced ears may only wear plain studs.
 - Any pupil wearing pierced earrings must be able to remove and replace them themselves - ***earrings and watches should not be worn** on days when children have PE.***

**Parents whose children wear jewellery for religious reasons need to let the Headteacher know in writing.*

****School staff will accept no responsibility for the safe keeping of watches or jewellery.**

General

- The school does not allow extremes of hair fashions ie. no lines, patterns, shaved heads or obvious dyeing of the hair. Please check with school first if you are unsure.
- No nail varnish or nail extensions.
- No make-up.
- Mobile phones in school are discouraged. However school recognises that there may be some individual circumstances/occasions when parents may wish their child to bring a phone to school. In this situation parents should inform school of their request and on arrival at school the phone should be handed directly to the office in a named bag/container for safe keeping.

Staff Dress

All staff should be mindful that their dress sets an example to pupils.

Staff should therefore exercise professional judgement when deciding what to wear during the course of a normal school day. No jeans or denim should be worn. Summer dresses should be modest. Staff should wear closed-toed shoes with a back and no flip-flops for health and safety reasons.

For particular activities, such as teaching PE, it sets a good example to pupils if staff also change into suitable clothing. For reasons of safety, staff should always change into suitable footwear for PE.

3. Implementing and Monitoring this Policy

All staff are responsible for implementing this policy. Pupils should be praised when they are wearing appropriate clothing.

If children wear inappropriate clothing, make-up or jewellery, the class teacher should discuss the school dress code with parents and requested that they support school policy. If necessary parents will be asked to collect their children and change them into correct uniform.

Staff should inform the Headteacher if they feel that standards of dress are deteriorating in their class.

The Headteacher shall be responsible for ensuring that staff dress appropriately.