

SCHOOL UNIFORM POLICY

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Version	Review Date	Reason for review and summary of changes
v1	September 2024	Implementation of policy
v2	September 2026	Adding of control page and format change. Reviewed and no other changes to make

Aims The aims of the school uniform policy are:
● To explain the school's rationale for the uniform
● To state various responsibilities
● To set out the uniform requirements from the first day in September to the last day in July.

Rationale for school uniform The school recognises the value of having a uniform for the following reasons:
Safety - If all the pupils in our school wear a clearly recognisable uniform it is easy to identify strangers. On the way to and from the school it also affords a degree of safety as the pupils are part of a large body of young people who will look out for each other.
Value for money Good quality uniform is a relatively inexpensive way of dressing young people for school. We have ensured our uniform can be purchased at a number of outlets including supermarkets and value clothing stores.
Relieves parents from fashion "stress" A school uniform eliminates the stress placed on some parents to purchase expensive, fashionable items.
Ready to work Putting on the uniform is a signal you are going to work hard and learn. It supports positive behaviour and discipline.
A sense of pride Uniform and team kits help our pupils to demonstrate pride in their school.
Raising aspirations Pupils tell us that if they look "smart", then they will have more self-belief and achieve more.
Inclusivity Our uniform gives pupils a sense of a common identity, enhancing the sense of belonging we strive to achieve.
Preparation for the future Many jobs require staff to wear a uniform and even if there isn't a uniform there is often a dress code. Uniform helps young people to get used to dressing to a prescribed standard.

Responsibilities
Governing Body will:
● Periodically consult parents/carers and pupils regarding the cost of the uniform
The Headteacher will:
● Ensure that the requirements are published to parents/carers, pupils and staff
● Ensure inclusivity and cost effectiveness for families with the uniform.
● Determine the action to be taken for breaches of the uniform code
The Class teacher will:
● Contact parents where the uniform policy is not being followed so parents can address this.
Parents/Carers will:
● Purchase and ensure pupils have the correct uniform on at all times
Pupils will:
● Ensure uniform requirements are kept to at all times

Uniform at Monkhouse

Please remember to name all items of clothing with permanent marker.

Regular School Uniform on the days the children do not have PE:

- **Top**: White polo shirt (These do not need to have the school logo on them)
- **Sweater**: School red sweatshirt, cardigan, or jumper (These do not need to have the school logo on them)
- **Bottoms**: Grey or black school trousers, school shorts or skirt/dress/pinafore (not leggings for girls) or red and white gingham dress in summer. These should be of an appropriate length and fit for the age of the child and the activities they will engage in in learning and play.

- **Shoes**: Should be **all black** with no colour markings, stripes or soles. These must have velcro style fastenings for all children until around Year 2 / 3 / 4 or until they can fasten their own laces independently.
- **Wellies or wet weather footwear** - all children should have suitable footwear that stays in school to wear when the weather is wet.
- No jewellery except small studs in ears.

PE Uniform on the days they have PE: (Not nursery children)

- **Top**: Red PE T-shirt - During cold weather, a red under layer to tee shirt may be worn as PE lessons are outdoors
- **Outer Top**: Red PE track top (this must be the school top and not an alternative)
- **Bottoms: Plain black** leggings, shorts (mid thigh/knee length) or jogger/tracksuit bottoms - These should not have any logos on them. The only exception is the Joma logo on the school track top and bottoms.
- **Sports Trainers -** These must be appropriate for physical education and have a suitable sole for this purpose. These must have velcro style fastenings for all children until around Year 2 / 3 / 4 or until they can fasten their own laces independently. Sports trainer are engineered to provide the necessary support and cushioning for a variety of sporting activities. They often have specialised midsoles and outsoles to absorb shock and provide stability during activities**.**
- **Ear Piercing** - If your child has their ears pierced - ensure earrings are removed on PE days or taped over securely if they are unable to be removed before they come to school.

Examples of appropriate trainers for PE



Examples of inappropriate footwear for PE as they are fashion style trainers



Jewellery

On health and safety grounds we do not allow children to wear jewellery in our school. The exceptions to this rule are: earring studs in pierced ears.Medical identification bracelets may be worn by children who have significant medical problems e.g. diabetes or epilepsy.

We ask the children to remove earrings on the days they have PE / swimming for health and safety reasons. Where they cannot be removed on PE days, they must be securely taped up by parents before they come to school.

We also advise that children who wish to have their ears pierced to do so at the beginning of the school summer holidays.