



STOWLAWN PRIMARY SCHOOL UNIFORM POLICY

Aims and objectives

Our policy on school uniform is based on the belief that school uniform:

- promotes a sense of pride in our school;
- helps to create a sense of community and belonging towards the school;
- identifies the children with the school;
- supports our commitment to inclusion;
- prevents children from wearing 'fashion clothes' that could be distracting in class;
- is practical, smart and designed with health and safety in mind;
- is considered good value for money by most parents;

Expectations

We expect all pupils to comply with this uniform policy, which will be monitored. Any pupil who falls short of these requirements will be advised of this fact by their class teacher and given the opportunity to improve. Continued failure to comply will be brought to the attention of the Headteacher.

The Role of Parents

We believe that one of the responsibilities of parents is to ensure that their child has the correct uniform and PE kit, and that it is clean, in good repair and that the child's name is written on all items.

The Role of Governors

The governing body supports the Headteacher in implementing the School Uniform Policy. It considers all representations from parents regarding the uniform policy and liaises with the Headteacher to ensure that the policy is implemented fairly and with sensitivity. It is the governors' responsibility to ensure that the school uniform meets all regulations concerning equal opportunities. Governors ensure that the school Uniform Policy enables children to dress sensibly, in clothing that is hardwearing, safe and practical.

Where to buy School uniform

Uniform can be purchased online here:

<https://www.ladsandlassesschoolwear.co.uk/product-category/primary-schools/stowlawn-primary-school-primary-schools/stowlawn-primary-school/>

Non branded uniform can be purchased outside of this site, as long as 'School Uniform List' guidelines are followed. See below.

Second-hand Uniform

At times throughout the school year, we will open our second-hand uniform pop up for parents to choose unwanted or unused uniform at no cost, We can support families with uniform at any time – please see the school office.

School Uniform List

Uniform

- Red sweatshirt or jumper or cardigan
- Grey or black long trousers
- Grey or black skirt or pinafore dress
- Long or short-sleeved white shirt or white polo t-shirt
- School tie (optional)
- White, black or grey socks
- Grey, black or red tights
- Black flat footwear with no obvious decoration and minimal heel height

Optional Summer Uniform

- Grey or black smart shorts
- Red and white checked or striped dress or skirt
- Appropriate summer footwear: see further information below

Jellies / Crocs / flip flops / sliders / plastic shoes are not allowed for health and safety reasons
The sandals that are allowed should :

- Have a back strap that fastens round the heel / ankle – or a full back like a shoe
- Always be worn with socks
- Be black in colour

Please be mindful of health and safety – for example very thin straps are not appropriate, also with open toes children are more at risk of scraping toes when out on the playground.

If issues with accidents and open toes occur, we retain the right to review or change our with immediate effect.

Sandals should not be worn on a day when your child goes to Forest School.

PE Kit

- Black/grey shorts
- Black/grey joggers or sports leggings (winter)
- Plain white t-shirt
- Black pumps or black trainers

Headscarves/Hijab

These may be worn for religious reasons but should be in school colours – red, black or grey

Jewellery

It is not appropriate for children to wear jewellery of any kind except earrings, where a pair of small plain studs can be worn.

A small digital or analogue watch may be worn, but NO smartwatches such as Apple Watches or Fitbits.

School Bags

Children should bring a backpack or book bag to school to carry their reading books and belongings.

Please note, generic items are suitable, if specific branded items are too costly or unavailable.

Equality Impact Assessment

We as a school community have a commitment to promote equality. Therefore, an equality impact assessment has been undertaken and we believe this policy is in line with the Equality Act 2010 as it is fair, it does not prioritise or disadvantage any pupil and it helps to promote equality at this school.

Monitoring and Review

The governing body monitors and reviews the school uniform policy through its committee work by: seeking the views of parents, to ensure that they agree with and support the policy; considering, with the Headteacher, any requests from parents for individual children to have special dispensation with regard to school uniform.