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Stockingford Academy Uniform and Dress Code Policy

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Document History

Version	Status	Date	Author	Summary Changes
V1		July 2023	Gillian Bowser	New Policy
V2		June 24	Gillian Bowser	PE kit alteration - option to wear hoodies removed – school jumpers only - white or light blue t shorts only (house colour t-shirts will be provided by school or competitions as needed)

Introduction

At Stockingford Academy, our Motto is "Nurturing Hearts, Inspiring Minds, Shaping Futures." At the heart of this education are the values of Excellence, Resilience, Nurturing, Fairness and Partnership.

Assessment of Policy's Impact

The effectiveness of this policy and its impact will be assessed by the Senior Leadership Team who will monitor the outcomes and impact of this policy annually. The evidence base for assessment will be presented as agenda items at the Local Governor Committee meetings as required.

1. School Uniform

Stockingford Academy will support children and families to achieve a high standard in dress and appearance. Our insistence on correct uniform is based on these reasons:

1. To present a smart appearance for the public identity of our pupils and enabling them to demonstrate a pride in their appearance and our school
2. To create cohesion and a sense of equality
3. With their school colours on, children can be immediately recognised

We are insistent that all rules about the uniform must be followed explicitly. Pupils are expected to maintain a clean, smart appearance. All items are readily available from the recognised school outfitters.

These are the official school outfitters. Jumpers, cardigans, skirts, trousers and PE kit, can be purchased from the following supplier.

Match Fit Kit

Weddington Road
Nuneaton
CV10 0AD
02476 350630

Uniform, without the school logo, can also be purchased from supermarkets in the agreed school colours.

Uniform Shop

We have an on-site uniform shop where good quality pre-loved items have been donated to school. This is available to all pupils regardless of need. The uniform shop is open every school day and a donation can be paid to the school office for these items where families are able to do so. There must be no barrier to wearing the Stockingford Academy uniform and disadvantaged pupils and their families are supported financially as required. Any family requiring support should seek this through the Pastoral Team in the first instance.

Stockingford Academy will also keep stores of donated items such as dressing up clothes and Christmas jumpers which can be loaned out, free of charge, to ensure all children are able to participate in special event days regardless of the needs of families.

<u>SCHOOL UNIFORM</u>	
ITEM	DESCRIPTION
Fleece, Jumper or cardigan	Stockingford Academy logo or plain royal blue
Trousers	Black or grey smart trousers (no leggings)
Shorts	Black or grey smart shorts (just above the knee) – cycling shorts and hot pants are not permitted
School uniform summer dresses	Blue & white checked or striped (no shorter than just above the knee)
Polo Shirt / shirt	Light blue - plain standard style buttoned to the neck
Skirt/Pinafore dress	Black or grey (no shorter than just above the knee) Jersey and stretch fabric skirts should be avoided
Socks	Black, grey or white
Tights	Opaque black or grey
Shoes	Plain black. Slip on, lace up, buckles or Velcro – trainer style shoes are permitted provided they are plain black Boots are permitted in cold weather – these should be flat Not permitted –bright coloured trainers, canvas, stiletto heels, hee-ies, sandals or sling backs

<u>Additional Information</u>	
Jewellery	<p>1 pair of small, gold or silver stud earrings (a matching pair, one in each earlobe).</p> <p>No other fashion jewellery will be permitted (e.g. rings, necklaces, dangly or hooped earrings etc)</p> <p>Jewellery linked to religious observance will be allowed following communication with the school.</p>
Make-up	No make-up, nail varnish or acrylic nails are allowed.
Hairstyles	<p>Pupils' hair should be in a natural and understated style.</p> <p>No patterns shaved into a pupil's hair or eyebrows</p> <p>Hair must be tied back in practical lessons for Health and Safety reasons.</p> <p>Hair should be kept out of children's eyes, using hairbands, small clips and hair slides – plain and in school colours (blue, white, black or grey).</p> <p>Hair accessories should be minimal, plain and in school colours (blue, white, black or grey).</p>
Bags	<p>School bookbags are encouraged.</p> <p>If pupils use a bag, it must be appropriately sized. It should hold children's books and reading diaries comfortably without causing any damage. Large bags/large rucksacks are not permitted for due to space on children's pegs and lockers</p> <p>Bags featuring inappropriate images, slogans or phrases are not permitted. The school encourages pupils to bring non-valuable bags to school. The school will not be liable for lost or damaged school bags.</p>
<u>PE KIT</u>	
Children should come to school wearing their PE kit with their school jumper/ cardigan, over the top, on their PE days.	
Polo shirt/ T shirt	Plain white or light blue
Shorts	Plain Black (hot pants or cycling shorts style will not be permitted)
Tracksuit bottoms/ leggings	Plain black
Socks	Black or white
Trainers	Not over ankle style

Children with additional needs

We recognise that within our school community there will be children who have additional needs where wearing the standard school uniform may not be possible. Where this is the case, parents should contact the Headteacher (Mrs Bowser) or the Assistant Headteacher – Inclusion (Mrs Sparrow) and agreement about reasonable adjustments will be made.

Labelling & lost property

School staff encourage good organisation of clothing and footwear, for example all uniform and PE kits must be clearly labelled with their name. Clothing and footwear are the responsibility of the pupil and not the school. If a child goes home in another child's clothing by accident, for example their jumper, parents/carers should send the clothing not belonging to them back into school. Any lost clothing is to be taken to lost property. All lost property is retained for a term and is disposed of if it is not collected within this time.

Non-uniform days

On scheduled days during the school year there will be non-school uniform days. On these days children should wear appropriate alternatives to uniform. There should be no offensive slogans on clothing. Appropriate footwear should be worn (no heels).

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