## Snape Wood Primary and Nursery School Excellence for All

'We are a small school that makes a big difference'
${ }^{`}$ We strive to provide excellence for all within a happy, safe, and stimulating learning environment'

## UNIFORM POLICY

| SNAPE WOOD PRIMARY AND NURSERY SCHOOL |  |
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| Approved by: Full Governing Body | Date: Spring 2023 |
| Review Date: | Spring 2026 |

It is our school policy that all children wear school uniform when attending school, or when participating in a school-organised event outside normal school hours. We provide a complete list of the items needed for school uniform both in our school prospectus and on our school website.

## Aims and objectives

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

- promotes a sense of pride in the school;
- engenders a sense of community and belonging towards the school;
- is practical and smart;
- identifies the children with the school;
- prevents children from coming to school in fashion clothes that could be distracting in class;
- makes children feel equal to their peers in terms of appearance;
- is regarded as suitable wear for school and good value for money by most parents;
- is designed with health and safety in mind.

Jewellery
On health and safety grounds we do not allow children to wear jewellery in our school. The exceptions to this rule are ear-ring studs in pierced ears, and small objects of religious significance, such as a crucifix on a chain or steel bracelet (Sikhism). We ask the children to either remove these objects during PE and games, or cover them with a plaster, to prevent them from causing injury. In any case where the parents insist that they wear objects during PE the parents must give written consent and acceptance of liability.

## Footwear

The school wants all children to grow into healthy adults. We believe that it is dangerous for children to wear shoes that have platform soles or high heels, so we do not allow children to wear such shoes in our school. We require all children to wear shoes as stated in the uniform list.

The role of parents

- We ask all parents 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 daily schoolwork. One of the responsibilities of parents is to ensure that their child has the correct uniform, and that it is clean and in good repair.
- If any parent would like the school to modify the uniform policy, they should make representation, in the first instance, to the headteacher. The school welcomes children from all backgrounds and faith communities. If there are serious reasons, for example on religious grounds, why parents want their child to wear clothes that differ from the school uniform, the school will look sympathetically at such requests.
- 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 helps children to dress sensibly, in clothing that is hardwearing, safe and practical.


## 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;
- requiring the headteacher to report to the governors on the way the school uniform policy is implemented.


## DFE policies:

School uniforms - GOV.UK (www.gov.uk)

## Please Note:

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You can purchase uniforms from Just Schoolwear, 289 Main Street, Bulwell, NG6 8ED (0115 9754011) or Bulwell Market.

Although we would like children to have a sweatshirt/Jumper or T-Shirt with the school logo, we understand that these are more expensive and you may choose to buy a plain version form a local supermarket school wear selection.

To support you, school has a selection of school uniform (without logo) for parents to purchase at cost price. We are more than happy to order online too if an item of uniform is not in stock. Please ask the office for an order form.

Please label all clothing using a marker pen or sewn on labels.
Second hand uniform can be worn.
Logo uniform is optional.

## Support:

If you are struggling with the purchase of uniform for your child/children, please contact the school office. We are more than happy to help

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## Yes Please...

- Navy blue
jumper/sweatshirt/cardigan with sChool logo
- Grey pinafore dress or skirt with plain black or grey tights
- Plain grey/black trousers or shorts of a suitable length
- Plain navy-blue blouse, shirt or polo shirt (with or without logo)
- School summer dress blue and white check
- Well fitted black shoes or plain black unbranded trainers with black laces
- Suitable black boots may be worn in winter
- Jewellery: small stud earrings may be worn or religious items (all jewellery must be removed for P.E or Swimming)
- Small hair accessories in school colours - navy blue - head bands, scrunchies


