School Uniform Policy Stalmine Primary School

Agreed by Governing Board - July 2023 Policy to be reviewed by September 2024

School Uniform Policy

It is the responsibility of the Governing Body of each school to decide on the uniform policy or dress code, and it is the Headteacher's responsibility to make sure pupils keep to the rules.

The Governing Body of Stalmine Primary School is unanimous in its decision that a uniform will be required for all pupils attending the school. (Details of the uniform can be found at Appendix 1)

Any breaches of the school uniform policy will be dealt with by the Headteacher. At Stalmine Primary School it is the responsibility of the parents to ensure the child wears the correct uniform. The Headteacher will seek to find out the reason for the breech in policy and respond sensitively to any difficulties parents may have in providing school uniform if this occurs.

Whilst at Stalmine Primary School, parents are directed to a supplier who provides uniform items **with the school logo** but this is not compulsory. Parents may choose to purchase uniform items in the appropriate school colours (and without logos) from any supplier. Local supermarkets and children's clothing suppliers all stock appropriate school colours.

School uniform plays a valuable role in contributing to the ethos of our school and setting an appropriate tone. We believe at Stalmine Primary School that a uniform instils:

- pride
- supports positive behaviour and routine
- encourages identity with and support for school ethos
- ensures pupils of all races and backgrounds feel welcome
- protects children from social pressures to dress in a particular way
- nurtures cohesion and promote good relations between different groups of pupils

If any complaints about the uniform policy or dress code are received, then initial attempts to resolve disputes will be dealt with by the Headteacher but if a satisfactory conclusion is not reached then these complaints will be directed to the Governing Body.

Roles and Responsibilities

The Governing Board is responsible for:

□ In consultation with the Head Teacher and school community, establishing a practical and smart school uniform that accurately reflects the school's vision and values.

□ Ensuring that equal opportunities are considered regarding the school's uniform and that no person is discriminated against.

□ Listening to the opinions and wishes of parents/carers, pupils and the wider school community regarding changes to the school's uniform.

□ Ensuring that the school's uniform is accessible and affordable.

The Head Teacher is responsible for:

□ Enforcing the school's uniform on a day-to-day basis.

□ Ensuring that school staff understand this policy and know what to do if a pupil is in breach of the policy.

Listening to the opinions and wishes of the school community regarding the school's uniform and making appropriate recommendations to the Governing Board.
Providing pupils with exemptions as appropriate e.g. for a pupil who has a broken arm and requires a loose-fitting top.

Teaching and support staff are responsible for:

□ Ensuring that pupils dress in accordance with this policy at all times.

□ Taking appropriate action when pupils are in breach of this policy.

□ Ensuring that pupils understand why having a consistent and practical school uniform is important e.g. to establish school identity.

Parents/carers are responsible for:

□ Providing their children with the correct school uniform as detailed in this policy.

□ Informing the Head Teacher if their child requires a more relaxed uniform policy for a period of time, including why.

□ Ensuring that their child's uniform is clean, presentable and the correct size.

Pupils are responsible for:

□ Wearing the correct uniform at all times, unless the Head Teacher has granted an exemption.

□ Looking after their uniform as appropriate.

□ Respecting why a school uniform is important to the school e.g. to develop a sense of belonging.

Girls

Navy sweatshirt/cardigan (either plain navy or with school logo) White polo shirt (either plain white or with school logo) Grey skirt/trousers/pinafore Blue/white gingham dress (Summer) White/grey/black socks Grey/navy/black tights (optional) Black shoes

P.E. (indoor) – Pupils may come to school in their school P.E kit on P.E days.

White t-shirt (either plain white or with school logo) Navy shorts Pumps/trainers

(*Bare feet for some indoor dance/gymnastics activities)

P.E. (outdoor) - Pupils may come to school in their school P.E kit on P.E days.

White t-shirt (either plain white or with school logo) Plain navy shorts/navy leggings/navy tracksuit bottoms/joggers(NEW) (School logo or plain only) Navy Hoody (NEW) Trainers (non-slip soles)

Boys

Navy sweatshirt (either plain navy or with school logo) White polo shirt (either plain white or with school logo) Grey trousers or grey shorts White/Grey/black socks Black shoes

PE (indoor) - Pupils may come to school in their school P.E kit on P.E days.

White t-shirt (either plain white or with school logo) Navy shorts Pumps/trainers (*Bare feet for some indoor dance/gymnastics activities)

PE (outdoor)- *Pupils may come to school in their school P.E kit on P.E days.*

White t-shirt (either plain white or with school logo) Navy shorts/navy tracksuit bottoms/joggers(NEW) (School logo or plain only) Navy hoodie NEW Trainers (non-slip soles)

Optional items

School bag (Non-school specific but a sensible and appropriate size) School book-bag (*School specific are available but are not compulsory and are provided on entry in reception) P.E bag (School specific are available but are not compulsory) Coat (Non-school specific but appropriate for the time of year and for school)

Religious Clothing / Ceremonial Wear

Some religions and beliefs require their members to conform to a specific dress code. The school does not discriminate against any religion or belief; however, the school weighs the needs and rights of individual pupils against the health and safety concerns of the entire school community.

Stalmine Primary School endeavours to allow religious requirements to be met, wherever possible. This will be discussed with the Headteacher and school governors on individual cases.

Equality

The school is required to ensure that this policy does not discriminate unlawfully. Every step has been taken to ensure that the cost of similar uniform items, for example, trousers versus skirts, are not disproportionate.

The school endeavours to ensure that our uniform is as gender neutral and inclusive as possible. We do not insist that children of any sex must wear specific items of clothing.

Water bottles

All children should bring a water bottle into school every day: this can be refilled by children whenever necessary during the day.

(*A school specific water bottle is provided for all new starters on entry in reception)

Hair styles

Hairstyles should be smart and moderate in style. Coloured hair is not permitted. Long hair should be tied back. This is to avoid health and safety risks and ensure that children's vision is not impeded.

Large, excessive hair accessories should not be worn; however, small hair clips or plain headbands are acceptable.

Patterns, close stencil shavings, tram lines etc... are not permitted in school term time.

Hair extensions are not permitted. Pupil(s) will be permitted to cover their hair in a circumstance where they have hair loss through illness etc...

Make up

Children are not allowed to wear make-up.

False nails and nail extensions are not permitted.

Nail varnish is not permitted.

Pupils wearing make-up are required to remove it or, if appropriate, will be sent home to remove it.

At the Head Teacher's discretion, there may be exceptions to the above for special events (e.g. party days, event days i.e. 'World Book Day')

*Pupils may be permitted to cover heavy scarring/skin damage. This will be discussed between the Head teacher and parents if the situation arises.

Jewellery

Pupils may wear a sensible wrist watch to school. We do not permit pupils to wear 'smart internet accessible watches' in class as this distracts the individual pupil and others in class.

Small plain studded ear rings are acceptable. If there is a reason why they can't be removed for P.E – they must be covered by a plaster for safety.

No other jewellery is permitted in school for safety reasons.

Adverse weather

Hot Weather – pupils may wear their school P.E kit to school during the height of summer if this clothing keeps pupils cooler. Caps may be worn to school and at playtimes in Summer.

Cold Weather -During cold weather, pupils are encouraged to wear scarves, gloves, coats and woolly hats when they are outside.

All uniform with our school logo can be ordered from our official supplier and this is our preference, however, a plain option without logo is perfectly acceptable:

www.poultonsports.com

Poulton Sports & Trophy Centre Ltd 3 Chapel Street Poulton-le-Fylde Lancashire FY6 7BQ

Appendix A – Example uniform



*Please note the hoody from Poulton Sports is the pull over your head type not zipped.

Logo P.E kit is available from Poulton Sports & Trophy Centre Ltd. (Logo P.E kit is not compulsory and plain options are available).