

Person Responsible for Policy:

Steve Whelerton (Head teacher)

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Date of next review:

July 2027



It is our policy that all children wear school uniform when attending school, or when participating in events outside of school. At Staindrop CE Primary School, we believe uniform plays an important role in our school's ethos and gives children pride in their personal appearance. Research shows that uniform helps to promote a sense of pride in the school, it helps children to feel part of a community and it supports academic progress. At Staindrop CE Primary we are committed to equality and feel that this is promoted by the wearing of school uniform. Although items are available with the school logo from our uniform provider-all items can be purchased from the majority of high street shops and supermarkets. We believe that school uniform is practical and designed with health and safety in mind.

Aims & Objectives

Our policy is based on the principles that a school uniform

- promotes a sense of pride in the school
- engenders a feeling of community and belonging
- supports positive behaviour
- is practical and smart
- identifies the children with the school, and encourages identity with the school
- makes children feel equal to their peers in terms of appearance
- is regarded as suitable and good value for money, by most parents.

Our uniform consists of:

- Navy sweatshirt (round or v neck) or cardigan (plain or with school logo)



- grey or black trousers, skirt, skort or pinafore
- Jade Green polo shirt (plain or with school logo)



● Plain black shoes/trainers (no obvious sports logos or bright colours). School shoes should be flat and sensible. Fashion footwear is unsuitable. If boots are worn these should also be plain black. Parents should ensure that their child wears shoes that they can take on and off independently.

Additional Summer Term Uniform:

- Navy and white check dress
- grey or black shorts

Please note children will require a **hat/cap** when the weather is hot. These should be plain black or navy where possible. An optional cap with logo is available from our uniform provider.



PE Kit

- white round neck PE t- shirt (plain or with school logo)



NB. PE T-shirts used to be jade green/house colours, but we have now removed these options. Those who already have purchased these items may still wear them as we transition over to white only.

- plain navy shorts (no logos or brand name)
- plain navy joggers/leggings (no logos or brand name)
- Navy hoodie or zip hoody (plain or with school logo)



- Sports Trainers

Outerwear

Pupils will need to come to school each day with a **warm/waterproof coat**. Where possible this should be a plain dark colour such as black or Navy. There are an optional school coat and hat with logo available via our uniform supplier.



Sometimes pupils may be asked to bring **forest school kit** into school-this should be comfortable and practical clothes such as jogging bottoms, jumper, wellies/outdoor boots/trainers, gloves, hats, (no scarves) and waterproofs.

For some activities pupils may need to protect their clothing e.g. cookery, art. Pupils may be asked to bring in an **apron or old shirt** from home. School aprons are available for purchase via our uniform provider-these are optional.

Swimming Kit (KS2)

A swimming kit should be brought into school in a labelled bag on the day when a child goes swimming. Swimming lessons are usually attended by children in Year 4 but may occasionally be attended by children in other year groups. You will be notified when your child is due to attend swimming lessons so that you have time to ensure they have the correct kit.

The swimming kit consists of:

- Above the knee swimming trunks/shorts
- One-piece swimming costume (no bikinis)
- Towel
- Hairbrush or comb
- Goggles (optional)
- Plain swimming hats, as appropriate

Pupils should bring their kit in a drawstring bag (optional bag with logo available)

School Bags

Navy school reading book bags are given to pupils when starting school in EYFS or KS1. If needed, additional book bags are available to purchase. They do not need to be purchased for KS2.

Pupils may also bring a rucksack to school to carry additional items-packed lunches.

Labelling Items

In order to return lost property, all uniforms, including shoes, PE uniform, swimming kit and personal items should be clearly labelled or marked with the child's full name. The school cannot take responsibility for lost items.

Further information regarding school uniform:

For health and safety reasons, children should not wear jewellery unless it is of a small object of religious significance. If you wish to have your child's ears pierced, please do this at the start of the summer holiday to ensure they can take them out for school in September.

Watches may be worn to tell the time but smart watches that have multiple functions and are either linked to a mobile service or take a photographs are not to be worn for school.

Long hair should be always tied back and especially for PE. We would appreciate it if hair accessories were kept to a sensible size and school colours; without large bows or flowers.

Children should not wear any nail varnish or make up and will be asked to remove them if either is worn to school.

The Role of Governors

The governing body supports the school in implementing the uniform policy. It is the governors' responsibility to ensure that the school uniform meets all regulations concerning equality. They also ensure that the uniform policy is practical and enables children to dress appropriately for learning.

If there are changes to the uniform policy governors will consult with parents to ensure they agree with and support the policy. They will also work with the head of school to consider any requests from parents for individual children to have special arrangements for uniform.

The Role of Parents

Staindrop CE Primary School believes it is the responsibility of parents to ensure their child has the correct uniform for the school day that it is clean, in good repair and has their child's name written on all items. If parents experience difficulty with uniform; they can speak in confidence to a member of staff who will help to resolve the issue and be assured that the school will do everything they can to support the family.

If children are wearing non-school items for school or PE, parents will be contacted to discuss the matter and to offer support.

Staindrop CE Primary School welcomes all children. If there are requests on religious grounds or SEND sensory needs these will be considered sympathetically and individually. Parents should in the first instance discuss any requests for uniform adaptation with the head teacher.

Where can I purchase a school uniform?

Our school uniform allows parents to purchase items from the majority of high street shops and supermarkets. If parents would like to purchase items with the school logo the details are below.

Uniforms bearing the school logo can be purchased MOTIF 8

online at: [Staindrop CE Primary - Motif8](#)