

Ambler
Primary School and Children's Centre

Policy

Uniform policy

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This plan is subject to on-going change and will be updated as and when required.

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1. Principles

Our policy is that all children should wear clothing that is in keeping with a purposeful learning ethos. We also believe that certain school activities are facilitated by specialised and appropriate clothing (including organised events outside normal school hours).

2. Aims

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

- Promotes a sense of pride in the school
- Engenders a feeling of belonging
- Is practical and distinctive
- Identifies the children with the school
- Is not distracting in class (as fashion clothing might be)
- Makes children feel equal to one another in terms of appearance
- Reflects the sense both of community and of diversity that the school takes pride in
- Is regarded as suitable, good value for money, by most parents.

3. Reception Class

- Uniform is not compulsory in reception class

4. Children Year 1 – Year 6

- Light blue crew neck sweat shirt or dark blue sweatshirt cardigan
- White polo t-shirt (logo optional)
- Black or dark grey school trousers/skirt/pinafore dress
- Black sensible school shoes/trainer. Shoes and trainers are to be plain with no coloured logos. Crocs or open toed sandals are not acceptable.
- During summer months, pupils may wear a blue gingham dress or black/dark grey shorts
- During winter months, children may wear wellington boots to school but these **MUST** be stored in a bag and indoor shoes worn whilst inside the building
- Optional blue Ambler zip fleece and waterproof jacket

5. Uniform for P.E. (Reception)

- No special clothing is required for reception children to take part in P.E.

6. Uniform for P.E. (Year1 – Year 6)

- Coloured t-shirt for whichever house team they may be in, this will be red, blue, orange or green.
- Black P.E. shorts or track-suit bottoms
- Plimsolls/trainers
- Ambler gym bag to keep these in at school.
- For swimming children must wear fitted trunks/fitted swimming shorts or costume and a swimming cap.

P.E. Kit should be worn for after school sporting clubs. All P.E. kits should be free from any logo or brand name, apart from the school logo.

Uniform can be purchased at the school office.

7. Jewellery and Headwear

On health and safety grounds, we do not allow children to wear jewellery to school (except for small studs and watches). We do not allow headwear to be worn during class time or inside school buildings, except for religious or medical reasons.

Nb. Hijabs can be worn must be black or white and are available for sale within the school.

All clothing should be clearly labelled with your child's name. This is especially important, as uniform items look similar and can easily be confused for another child's. The school cannot accept responsibility for any lost items.

8. Role of the Class Teachers and Support Staff

- Set a good example in terms of dress.
- Remember that in our respective roles we serve the local community as a set of professionals.
- To remind children to wear school uniform. The class teacher will speak to children who do not wear the correct uniform. If they still are not wearing the uniform they are to be referred to the Headteacher.

9. Role of the Headteacher

- The Headteacher is to ensure that pupils comply with the uniform policy agreed by the governing body.

- The Headteacher has a duty to enforce the school uniform throughout the school community, as part of the duty within maintenance of day-to-day discipline in the school.
- The Headteacher will speak to the parents of children who persistently do not wear the correct uniform.
- The school will follow the DfE guidelines and not consider exclusion from the school where a pupil fails to comply with the school's rules on uniform.

10. Role of the Parents/Guardians

- To ensure that their child / children adhere to the school's uniform policy.
- Ensure that they come to school in uniform everyday unless there are special circumstances such as non-uniform days.
- To ensure that all uniform is labelled correctly and clearly.

11. Equalities

All children have equal access to wearing school uniform regardless of their culture, race, religion, gender, disability or ability. We ensure that the set uniform respects other policies such as Equalities and allows for individual sets of circumstances of all groups and individuals. Ambler Primary school is committed to creating a positive climate that will enable everyone to work free from racial intimidation and harassment and to achieve their full potential.