

Chilham St Mary's CEP School



Dress Code Policy

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PURPOSE OF A DRESS CODE POLICY:

A school dress code:

- Gives our children a sense of unity, belonging and pride in our school, which assists in building the caring, family ethos the school is so proud of.
- Ensures that our children are safely dressed for school activities and the environment.
- Minimises competition between the children to wear more expensive or fashionable clothing and the pressure on parents to purchase this type of clothing, whilst encouraging equity among pupils.
- Clearly identifies Chilham St Mary's Primary School pupils from other children who may encounter our school.
- Fosters and enhances the public image of the school.

Chilham St Mary's School Uniform

A feeling of school unity is enhanced by the wearing of a uniform. Most garments with the school logo can be purchased directly from the school office.

Every part of a child's uniform, including PE kit should be clearly labelled with the child's name.

Tops

Shirt / blouse / polo shirt (white/red, *preferably white*)

*We provide Year 6 children with a school tie, so white shirts are preferred for them

Sweatshirt / cardigan / jumper (red, *preferably with school logo*)

Bottoms

Trousers or shorts (grey)

Skirt (no shorter than knee length) (grey)

Dresses

Pinafore (grey)

Summer dress (red and white stripe or check)

Footwear

Flat, smart shoes (black)

Open toed sandals are not appropriate footwear for school (health and safety)

Socks / tights (white / grey)

Physical Education

Team colour P.E shirt (preferably with logo)

P.E jumper

Plain shorts/skort (black)

Plain jogging bottoms (navy or black)

Plimsolls (for indoor) (black)

Trainers (for outdoor)

P.E bag with draw string

Children should not do P.E in tights so a spare pair of socks will be needed for P.E days.

JEWELLERY

Children can become very distressed when they lose or break jewellery. Jewellery can also be an item that is a fashion statement or can cause inequity amongst the pupils. Jewellery such as necklaces, rings, bracelets etc. must not be worn to school. (Medic alert bracelets are of course allowed in school). Inexpensive, simple wrist watches can be worn.

Earrings

- In the interest of safety, earrings should be of the small sleeper or stud variety.
- Earrings must be removed for PE sessions. The taping of ears is not acceptable for health and safety reasons.
- If a child cannot remove their own earrings it should be done so at home on the day the child has PE. Staff are not permitted to remove earrings. Children will take part in a related activity if their earrings are not removed on such days.
- If a parent is considering having their child's ears pierced they should be encouraged to do so at the very start of the summer break, as in most cases they are unable to remove them for the first six weeks.

MAKE UP AND/OR COLOURED NAIL POLISH is not appropriate in school.

HAIRSTYLES AND ACCESSORIES

Hair should be neatly groomed and kept out of the eyes. Shoulder length or longer hair should be kept tied back from the face. Simple hair bands should be used. Large bows, flowers and jewellery on hair bands are not appropriate for school wear. Plain bands and small bows (preferably school colours) are acceptable. Extremes of hair styles such as tram lines, Mohicans and coloured hair are not appropriate for school.

Our pupils should only bring their school book bags and PE bags to school. Large back packs should be avoided as they can become a hazard in the corridor and classroom.

Pupils are encouraged to bring their own named plastic water bottles to school to sip from throughout the day. These should be filled with water only, unless the child has a medical problem requiring them to drink something else. Pupils should take their water bottles home every night to be cleaned.