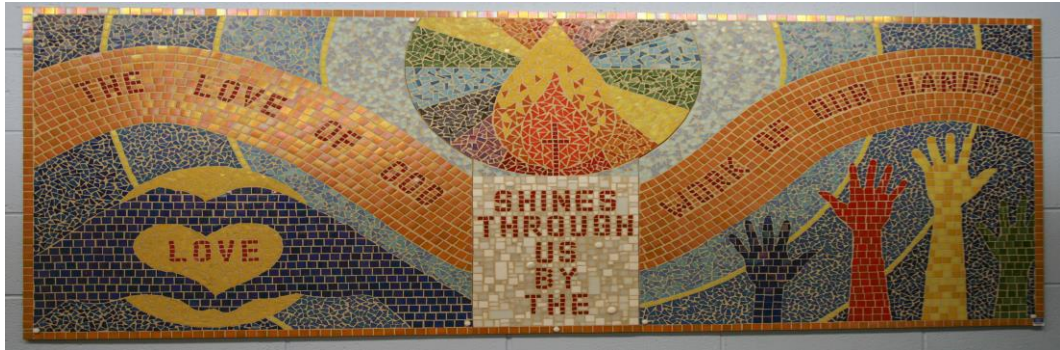


Norley CE Primary School



Uniform Policy

We are a church school where education is nourished through the teachings of Jesus Christ, enabling each child to fulfil their potential and which reflects our commitment to academic excellence.

We want our children to celebrate and appreciate diversity, fostering qualities that encourage every child to have aspiration for a society in which every individual is cherished.

With our Christian belief at its heart, we work in partnership with each other, families, the church, the local and wider community to create a stimulating and caring environment, where everyone is welcomed, nurtured and empowered.

Christian values directly inspire and influence the children to recognise their self-worth and flourish, enabling them to make the right choices that will continue to shape their lives.

You are the light of the world. A city built on a hill cannot be hidden. No one after lighting a lamp puts it under the bushel basket, but on the lamp stand, and it gives light to all in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven.

(Matt. 5:14-16)



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Introduction

It is our policy that all children should wear school uniform when attending school, or when participating in a school-organised event outside normal school hours. A complete list of the items needed for school are outlined below in this policy.

Aims and objectives

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

- engenders a feeling of community and belonging
- promotes a sense of pride in the school
- is practical and smart
- identifies the children with the school
- is not distracting in class (as fashion clothes might be)
- makes children feel equal to their peers in terms of appearance
- is regarded as suitable, and good value for money, by most parents
- has been designed with health and safety in mind.

Uniform list

- plain pale blue polo shirt – with or without school logo
- plain pale blue sweatshirt or cardigan with school logo
- plain grey skirt, pinafore dress, trousers or shorts
- plain grey tights or socks
- or the above may be replaced by a light blue gingham check dress (not playsuit) worn with white socks
- black shoes, leather or leather look (not canvas or suede or any kind of boot)
- plain outdoor coat (with or without school logo)
- plain, unbranded sun hat/cap (with or without school logo)

PE Kit

- plain navy sports shorts
- plain white t-shirt (with or without school logo)
- black pumps or suitable outdoor trainers
- plain navy hoodie (with or without school logo) is optional
- plain navy jogging pants (with or without school logo) are optional

NB: a Year 6 child may wear their 'leaver's hoodie' during PE lessons and as an outside coat in milder weather.

Swimming Kit

- trunks or shorts without pockets or a one-piece swimming costume (preferably blue or black)



- a towel and a drawstring bag to keep wet kit separate from dry clothes

2. **Cost and availability**

- 2.1 The school is committed to ensuring families experience best value for money when it comes to purchasing school uniform and adheres to the Department for Education's (DfE) statutory guidance. We will conduct a rigorous tendering process of school uniform suppliers taking into consideration cost, quality, convenience and availability, every three years.
- 2.2 Uniform with the school logo is available from **School Style Ltd.**
Meridian House, Road One, Winsford, Cheshire, CW7 3QG (Warehouse Only)
<https://myschoolstyle.com/> 0333 301 1231

Non-logo items can be purchased from any external retailer providing they comply with our School Uniform Policy.

- 2.3 Second-hand uniforms are available for purchase for a small donation to the Parent, Teachers and Friends Association (PTFA) from the school reception area.

3. **Naming of Clothing**

- 3.1 All items of clothing must be clearly marked with your child's full name. This cannot be stressed too clearly. We collect a vast amount of unnamed lost property. This will be displayed outside school at the end of each half term for parents to claim any items which haven't been collected or are un-named.

4. **Equipment**

- 4.1 Pencil cases are not necessary as children are provided with all the relevant equipment in school, e.g. pencils, pens, rulers and rubbers.
- 4.2 **School Bags;** To avoid congestion in classrooms / cloakrooms, children will need a **book bag with school logo** to carry any personal belongings. No other bag is needed.
- 4.3 Drawstring bags will be required for PE kits. These are left in school and will be sent home each half term to be washed.
- 4.4 Water bottles are required in school.

5. **Jewellery**

- 5.1 On health and safety grounds, we do not allow children to wear jewellery in our school. The exceptions to this rule are small, gold or silver stud earrings in pierced ears, watches and small objects of religious significance. During PE lessons, stud earrings should be removed, and the other above-mentioned items must be removed and handed to the



teacher for safekeeping. If a child wears a medical bracelet, it must be covered with a sweatband in order to partake in PE.

6. Footwear

6.1 The school wants all children to grow into healthy adults. We believe that it is dangerous for children to wear shoes with platform soles or high heels in school, so we do not allow this. We require all children to wear the types of shoe described in the uniform list. No form of boot is allowed.

7. Makeup

7.1 Makeup and nail varnish, including gel and acrylic nails, should not be worn to school unless for an out of school hours' function, e.g. a school disco.

8. Hairstyles / Hair Ornaments

8.1 Extreme hairstyles are not appropriate for school. The use of styling products should be kept to a minimum and children should not have decorative patterns cut into their hair or have hair coloured or dyed. Long hair below the shoulder should be tied back for health and safety reasons. Hair adornments including hair bands, ribbons, bows or scrunchies should be plain and either blue or black.

9. Uniform at church services

9.1 For all church services (Harvest, Christmas, Christingle and Easter), if children are not wearing related costumes, they will be expected to wear their uniform.

10. The role of parents

10.1 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. Parents should ensure that their child has the correct uniform, and that it is clean and in good repair and clearly labelled.

10.2 If any parent would like their child to deviate from 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 particular reasons, e.g. religious or cultural practices that individual adjustments to the things listed in the Uniform Policy, the school will look compassionately at such requests. Similarly, should an item of school uniform prove problematic for a pupil with additional needs, then parents are invited to draw this to the attention of the headteacher. The school will not treat pupils with additional needs unfavourably.

11. The role of governors

11.1 The governing body supports the headteacher in implementing the school Uniform Policy. It considers all representations from parents regarding this policy and liaises with the headteacher to ensure that the policy is implemented fairly and with sensitivity.



11.2 It is the governors' responsibility to ensure that the school uniform meets all national regulations concerning equal opportunities, and that our school uniform policy is consistent with our policy on equal opportunities.

11.3 Governors ensure that the school uniform policy helps children to dress sensibly in clothing that is hardwearing, safe and practical.

12. Monitoring and review

12.1 When monitoring this policy, through its committee work, the governing body will:

- consider, with the headteacher, any requests from parents for individual children to have special dispensations;
- require the headteacher to report to the governors on the way in which the policy is being implemented.

This policy will be reviewed by the governing body every three years, or earlier if considered necessary.

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