

St. Martin's Church of England (Aided) Primary School



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C. of E. Primary School
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School Uniform Policy

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"St. Martin's School isn't just a school, it's a family. Firmly rooted in the Christian faith, the St. Martin's family will share the love of Christ with our diverse school community – all unique and special, made in God's image, with everyone welcomed and included."

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Introduction and purpose

It is our school policy that all children wear school uniform when attending school, representing the school, or when participating in a school-organised event outside normal school hours.

Aims and Objectives

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

- promotes a sense of pride in the school;
- engenders a sense of community and belonging towards the school;
- is practical and smart;
- identifies the children with the school;
- prevents children from coming to school in fashion clothes that could be distracting in class;
- makes children feel equal to their peers in terms of appearance;
- is regarded as suitable wear for school and good value for money by most parents;
- is designed with health and safety in mind.

Our uniform consists of:

- **navy sweatshirt or cardigan
- grey trousers/skirt/ pinafore dress
- white shirt
- school tie
- sensible shoes that are black in colour, no trainers
- Grey shorts or blue and white check dress for the summer
- Blazer (this is an optional item)

** Items embroidered with the St. Martin's Logo are available to order from the Identity (see school website).

PE Kit consists of:

- Younger children - navy shorts, white T-shirt, black plimsolls (with elastic tops) or trainers
- Older children – navy shorts, white T-shirt, change of shoes (plimsolls or trainers) navy sweatshirts, tracksuit or jogging trousers

All clothing should be clearly labelled with your child's name.

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EYFS children

EYFS children need a pair of wellies and a waterproof jacket for outside play.

Jewellery, Watches, Hair Ornaments, Make-up and Nail Varnish

For health and safety reasons we do not allow children to wear jewellery. The exceptions to this rule are ear-ring studs in pierced ears with a safety backing to the rear, and small objects of religious significance. Children are required to remove any items during PE lessons to prevent them from causing injury.

Please note: Teachers are not permitted to remove earrings and so earrings should be removed at home on PE days if your child cannot remove them for themselves.

Wrist watches may be worn but only for the purpose of telling the time. 'Smart' watches linked to mobile phones are not permitted.

Make up and nail varnish should not be worn to school. 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 or 'tram lines' cut into their hair or have their hair coloured or dyed with extreme colours. For health and safety reasons and to ensure it does not distract from learning, we advise that long hair be tied back in physical activity.

Footwear

We require all children to wear sensible shoes that are black in colour. No heels, flipflops or trainers to be worn.

The Role of Parents

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. One of the responsibilities of parents is to ensure that their child has the correct uniform, and that it is clean and in good repair.

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If any parent would like the school to modify the uniform policy, they should make representation, in the first instance, to the head teacher. The school welcomes children from all backgrounds and faith communities. If there are serious reasons, for example on religious grounds, why parents want their child to wear clothes that differ from the school uniform, the school will look sympathetically at such requests.

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The Role of Governors

The governing body implements the school uniform policy. It considers all representations from parents regarding the uniform policy and liaises with the head teacher to ensure that the policy is implemented fairly and with sensitivity. It is the governors' responsibility to ensure that the school uniform meets all regulations concerning equal opportunities. Governors ensure that the school uniform policy helps children to dress sensibly, in clothing that is hardwearing, safe and practical.

Monitoring and Review

The governing body monitors and reviews the school uniform policy through its work.

Please support our School Uniform Policy.

Thankyou