



Padstow School & Nursery

Uniform Policy

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Next review date: September 2023

Person responsible for implementation: Head of School

School Uniform and Appearance Policy

Our school uniform is important to us. It is one way in which we identify ourselves as a school family and it promotes a strong, cohesive school identity, which supports high standards and expectations in all areas of school life. It promotes harmony between different groups represented in the school, and enhances security, assisting the school to identify individual pupils so good order can be maintained.

Smartness and high standards of appearance are expected at all times.

At Padstow School & Nursery, we believe that a school uniform is important, because it:

- looks smart
- wears well
- contributes to a sense of belonging
- gives a common purpose
- fosters a feeling of pride
- makes children feel equal to their peers in terms of appearance
- has been designed with health and safety in mind

All children should wear the uniform and we encourage them to maintain an acceptable standard of clean and tidy dress in school.

Our School Uniform

Winter uniform consists of:

- Maroon school jumper / school cardigan / school sweatshirt (plain maroon jumpers, cardigans or sweatshirts can be purchased)
- White polo shirt
- Dark grey trousers or shorts. Please note that leggings should **not** be worn instead of trousers
- Dark grey skirt or pinafore
- Plain black/grey tights or black/grey/white socks

Summer uniform as winter or:

- Blue checked summer dress
- White polo shirt
- Dark grey trousers or shorts. Please note that leggings should **not** be worn instead of trousers
- Black/grey/white socks

Sweatshirts, jumpers, cardigans, polo shirts and PE kit embroidered with the school name can be ordered directly from Wovina (www.wovina.com).

Footwear

- Flat, smart black shoes or smart black trainers with **no** markings or other colours.

School shoes should be suitable for both indoors and active play outdoors.

Open-toed sandals should not be worn, even in the Summer Term.

Boots:

Boots can be worn into school during inclement weather but must then be changed for shoes. School shoes should be practical for both indoors and outdoors.

All items of footwear should be identified with the child's name.

Parents and carers are reminded that children often sit cross legged in school, therefore skirts should be chosen to ensure children can do this comfortably and without embarrassment.

All items of uniform clothing must be identified with the child's name.

Outdoor clothing:

Children should bring a coat to school each day, apart from during the hotter weather.

All coats should be identified with the child's name.

P.E. and Games Kit:

Consists of:

- Blue t-shirt – either available with logo from Wovina (plain blue t-shirts can be purchased)
- Black shorts, skirt or skort or plain black leggings
- Optional **plain black** hoody and **plain black** tracksuit bottoms – for colder weather
- Trainers or plimsolls

PE kit should be brought into school on the day (s) when the class has PE. If they do not have the correct kit in school, they will not be able to participate in the lesson. A letter will be sent home to parents to inform them of this. Teachers will keep a log of children who are without the correct kit and it may be that parents will be invited in to discuss the lack of kit.

For health and safety reasons, it is essential that children are dressed appropriately for any physical activity. Appropriate footwear is essential: trainers or plimsolls should be worn. The children will have bare feet for gymnastics or dance only.

Footwear and clothing should reflect the level of activity: for example, Year 6 would need the full kit, whereas Puffin Class children may just need plimsolls as the lessons are often shorter. The Puffin Class teacher will advise parents what should be worn.

When tights are worn, socks must brought in to be changed into for PE.

Bags and belongings

All children are given a book bag for carrying their reading books. These are initially given to children free of charge, however replacements can be bought from the school office.

All bags / reading folders must be identified with the child's name.

Jewellery

On health and safety grounds, we do not allow children to wear jewellery in school. The exceptions to this rule are gold or silver studs in pierced ears, and small objects of religious significance, such as a crucifix on a chain. We ask the children either to remove these objects during PE and games, or to cover them with micropore tape. Children can wear a watch but must remove it for any physical activity or PE.

Fashion Items / Other

Children come to school to learn. We believe that fashion items are best kept for home, and for reasons such as health, safety and inclusion, fashion accessories such as make-up, nail polish, hair gel, jewellery (other than stud earrings and / or a watch) should not be worn.

Sunhats must be worn outside during sunny weather.

Hair longer than shoulder length **must** be tied back neatly. This is not only for reasons of smartness and health and safety, but also to prevent the spread of head lice.

Non-Compliance with the School Uniform Policy

The Head of School may invite parents in to discuss the reason for their child not wearing the school uniform or not having their PE kit.

Lost Uniform

Padstow School cannot be responsible for lost uniform. For this reason, it is crucial that clothing is clearly labelled so it can be returned to the owner rather than becoming 'lost property'.

Any lost property will be stored in a container in the office. Children are welcome to check through this during the school day and parents after school at the discretion of the office. Any lost property unclaimed by the end of each half term will be disposed of.