

# St Thomas' C of E VA Primary School



## School Uniform Policy

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June 2022	June 2025	

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## 1. Policy Rationale

It is our policy that children should wear uniform when attending St Thomas' CE Primary School. The Governing Board agrees with the DfE which strongly encourages schools to have a uniform as it can play a valuable role in contributing to the ethos of a school and setting an appropriate tone.

St Thomas' CE Primary School welcomes children from all backgrounds and faiths. It is the responsibility of all parents/carers to ensure that their child arrives at school in accordance to the School Uniform Policy.

The Governing Board supports the Head Teacher in implementing the school uniform policy. It considers representations from parents/carers regarding this policy and takes into account equal opportunities. The Governors ensure that the school uniform policy helps children dress sensibly and safely in clothing that is hardwearing, good value, safe and practical. 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.

## 2. Parents and Carers

We ask all parents/ carers 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/Carers should ensure their child has the correct school uniform, appropriate for the weather conditions and it is clean. They should also clearly label each item with a distinguishable name.

The school uniform is listed below but please note that it is not compulsory to have uniform with the school logo on and children can wear plain clothing as follows:

Standard Uniform	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Nursery</b> – Green sweatshirt/cardigan, preferably with the school logo</li><li>• <b>Infants</b>- Navy blue sweatshirt /cardigan, preferably with the school logo</li><li>• <b>Infants</b> - Plain white polo shirt with collar</li><li>• <b>Juniors</b> - Navy blue V necked jumper , preferably with the school logo</li><li>• <b>Juniors</b> - Plain white shirt or blouse</li><li>• <b>Juniors</b> – Blue tie with white diagonal stripes</li><li>• Plain grey long trousers or skirt</li><li>• Plain grey pinafore or shorts</li><li>• Plain grey/ black/white socks or tights</li><li>• Waterproof coat</li></ul>
Summer Options	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Blue and white gingham check dress- any style may be worn in warmer weather</li><li>• Tailored school shorts</li><li>• White short sleeved shirts or blouses</li></ul>

Footwear	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Flat, black, plain school shoes</li> <li>• Trainers/ boots/ high heels/open-toed sandals are not permitted</li> <li>• Wellington boots may be worn to school but children must have their school shoes to change in to</li> </ul>
<p>Indoor P. E. Kit</p> <p>Football shirts are not allowed for PE lessons.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Navy shorts and white, short-sleeved t-shirt</li> <li>• <b>Infant</b> children wear black pumps, trainers or have bare feet</li> <li>• <b>Junior</b> children wear trainers for indoor games or have bare feet</li> <li>• Kit to be kept in a named bag</li> </ul>
<p>Outdoor P.E. Kit</p> <p>Football shirts are not allowed for PE lessons.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• White t-shirt (not baggy) and navy shorts</li> <li>• Navy sweatshirt and jogging pants for cold and damp weather</li> <li>• Trainers or stronger pumps are required</li> </ul>
Swimming kit ( Junior children only)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Swimming trunks or swimming costume and swimming cap</li> <li>• Towel</li> </ul>
Jewellery	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The wearing of jewellery is not appropriate for school and is not permitted except when it is worn for religious reasons.</li> <li>• If your child has pierced ears then studs may be worn. No other type of earring is acceptable due to health and safety reasons</li> <li>• A watch may be worn. Wearable devices with cameras are prohibited.</li> </ul>
Hair / Head	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Long hair should be tied back while at school; this is especially important during P.E.</li> <li>• Bows, hairbands and scrunchies need to be in school colours, please, blue, black, white and grey and hair bows must not be too large</li> <li>• Headscarves may be worn for religious purposes</li> </ul>
Make up / Nails	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Children should not wear make-up or have their nails painted</li> <li>• Parents to ensure children's nails are trimmed and a safe length</li> </ul>
Bags and belongings	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Nursery and infants</b>- A bookbag with the St Thomas' logo is recommended for carrying books, homework, letters and other materials to and from school. Rucksacks are not appropriate for EYFS / KS1.</li> <li>• <b>Juniors</b>- Rucksacks may be used for carrying books, homework, letters and other materials to and from school.</li> </ul>

Parents are advised to label all items of uniform clearly with their child's name.

We ask children to wear their shirts tucked into their skirts or trousers and to take a pride in their personal appearance.

Sweatshirts and cardigans, with the school logo, can be purchased from MCS Stores, Triple S or Gooddies online.

Second-hand uniforms can benefit all parents. We ensure that arrangements are in place for second-hand school uniforms to be available for parents to acquire, through periodic second-hand uniform help yourselves tables. Please contact the school office if you would like further information regarding the provision of second-hand uniforms.

This policy will be reviewed every three years.

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