



Diocese of Norwich  
St Benet's  
Multi Academy Trust

# **Alburgh with Denton C of E Primary Academy**

## **Uniform Policy**

**Updated: June 2023**

**Review Date: June 2025**

### ***Our School Vision:***

#### ***“Mighty Oaks from Tiny Acorns Grow”***

*Our Vision is based upon the parable of the mustard seed: “The kingdom of God is like a mustard seed, that seed is the smallest of all seeds. But when it grows, it is one of the largest garden plants” [Matthew 13 V31-32] This is underpinned by the common language of our core values: Hope, Forgiveness and Justice.*

## **Uniform Policy**

### **Introduction:**

It is school policy that children must wear school uniform when attending school, or when participating in school organised events inside 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;
- Is practical, smart, attainable and affordable;
- Identifies the children with the school;
- Avoids pressure on children to ‘follow the latest fashion’.
- Helps children feel equal to their peers in terms of appearance;
- Promotes a sense of community and belonging towards the school

### **Code of Dress:**

Children must attend school wearing the following uniform:

- School jumper or cardigan with the school logo
- Blue polo shirts
- Black/grey trousers or shorts
- Black/grey skirts
- Blue and white checked summer dress
- Black, grey or white plain matching socks
- Black or grey tights (no leggings)
- Polishable, flat, black school shoes or boots

## **Unacceptable Clothing:**

Jeans, casual shorts, cropped trousers, leggings, patterned socks, fashion cardigans and tops and trainers.

## **PE Uniform:**

Children must wear the following uniform for PE lessons:

- White T-Shirt (with or without school logo)
- Black or navy Shorts
- Tracksuits for outdoor PE in colder weather
- Trainers for outdoor PE

## **School Uniform Supplier:**

Our uniform supplier is:

Retro Alley

Unit B, Tunbeck Road, Harleston, Norfolk, IP20 OBS

Telephone: 01986 469240



## **Jewellery:**

We do not allow children to wear jewellery in our school on the grounds of health and safety. The exceptions to this rule are a pair of earring studs in pierced ears, a watch and small objects of religious significance. We ask the children to remove these objects during PE and games, to prevent them from causing injury.

**Hair:**

Hair should be of a tidy style. Bright hair colours or coloured braids are not permitted. Long and shoulder length hair must be tied back for health and safety purposes. Hair bands should be of an appropriate size and colour.

**Make-up:**

The school does not allow children to wear any make-up during school hours. Children must not come into school with temporary tattoos. Nail varnish is also prohibited.

**Forest School Clothing:**

Parents/carers will be informed of their children's Forest School days via newsletter or via Parent Mail reminders. Children must come into school wearing their school uniform and will get changed into their forest school clothing at the end of lunch time. Long sleeve tops must be worn to ensure arms and legs are covered to avoid scratches and/or stings. Parents/carers are responsible for ensuring that their child is dressed appropriately for Forest School. Forest School clothing is as follows:

- Waterproof coat (or waterproof jacket in warmer weather)
- Comfortable tracksuit bottoms or leggings (not shorts)
- Long-sleeved top
- Wellington boots or old trainers
- Appropriate hat for the weather
- Scarf and gloves (in colder weather)

**School Bags:**

Pupils must use an appropriately sized waterproof bag to carry their books and equipment. It should hold children's books and reading diaries comfortably without causing any damage. Large bags / large rucksacks are discouraged for day-to-day lessons due to space on children's pegs. School bags featuring inappropriate images, slogans or phrases are not permitted.

### **Role of Parents:**

Parents who send their children to our school must adhere to the school uniform policy.

The school welcomes comments from parents and pupils on our school uniform policy. These should be addressed, in the first instance, to the Headteacher. 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. Similarly, should an item of school uniform prove problematic for a pupil with disabilities, then parents are invited to draw this to the attention of the headteacher. The school will not treat pupils with disabilities unfavourably.

If children are temporarily unable to wear the correct uniform, parents will need to speak to their child's class teacher to discuss the reasons.

### **Role of Governors:**

The governing body supports the Headteacher in implementing the school uniform policy. It considers all representations from parents regarding the uniform policy and liaises with the Headteacher to ensure that the policy is implemented fairly and with sensitivity.

It is the governor's responsibility to ensure that the school uniform policy does not discriminate unlawfully on the grounds of sex, race, disability, religion, or belief.

### **Role of Staff:**

In the case of a child wearing clothes which is against the school uniform policy, parents will be contacted and reminded of the requirements. Contact will first be made by the class teacher, giving parents 7 days to provide their child with the correct uniform. If the child continues to attend school in incorrect uniform the matter will be directed to a member of the leadership team, who will make contact with the parent.

## **Monitoring and Review**

The governing body monitors and reviews the school uniform policy by:

- Seeking the views of parents, to ensure that they agree with and support the policy;
- Considering, with the Headteacher, any requests from parents for individual children to have special dispensation with regard to school uniform;
- Requiring the Headteacher to report to the governors on the way the school uniform policy is implemented.