

John Perry Primary School



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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. Further information on our school uniform can be found in our school website.

Aims and objectives

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

- promotes a sense of pride in the school;
- engenders a feeling of community and belonging towards 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.

Jewellery and watches

On health and safety grounds we do not allow children to wear jewellery in our school. The exceptions to this rule are ear-ring studs in pierced ears, and small objects of religious significance. Children are allowed to wear watches in KS2. We ask the children to remove these objects during PE lessons to prevent them from causing injury. Please note: Teachers and support staff are not allowed to remove earrings.

Hair Ornaments, Make-up and Nail Varnish

Hair bands, ribbons/bows or 'scrunchies' should be plain and either be blue or black. Make up and nail varnish should not be worn to school unless for an out of school hours function, for example a school disco.

Extreme haircuts

The school does not permit children to have haircuts that could serve as a distraction to other children. 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.

Footwear

All children are required to wear plain black shoes or trainers without logos. If boots are worn, these should also be plain black. For health and safety reasons we do not allow children to wear shoes with platform soles or high heels. Please do not send your child to school in shoes which prevent them from running in the playground.

School Uniform List

Our school uniform colour is a combination of royal blue and dark grey/black. Most items can be bought from High Street shops or from our supplier Premier School Wear. Please refer to our school website for more information.

- Dark grey/black skirt, dress, trousers or shorts. Not jogging bottoms
- Blue and white checked dresses
- Blue blouse/shirt or polo shirt
- Royal blue sweatshirt or royal blue cardigan without a hood, either plain or with the John Perry logo
- Plain white short or knee length socks (not over the knee) or
- Black or dark grey tights

Please note that skirts should be an appropriate length and of a style that allows the pupil to sit and move comfortably. When pupils wear shorts (for instance during PE), they should also be of an appropriate length. Three quarter length, calf length or full length leggings should not be worn.

P.E. Kit

Children need a change of clothes and footwear for P.E. (for health and hygiene reasons) and a draw-string bag in which to keep the kit at school.

Pupils wear:

- plain white t-shirt or polo shirt
- black shorts
- black plimsolls and trainers – Velcro fastenings are essential for younger children

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- black jogging bottoms for outdoor lessons in cold weather

Swimming Kit

- Swimming costume (no bikinis or tankinis)
Swimming trunks; short-like trunks are best (we discourage long swimming trunks as they impede pupils' ability to swim well)
- Bath-size towel
- You can purchase a blue swimming cap with the school logo via ParentPay and collect from the school office

The role of parents/Carers

We believe that parents/carers have a duty to ensure that their child has the correct uniform and PE kit, and that is clean, in good repair and that the child's name is written on all items. If a parent/carer has difficulties for any reason with fulfilling this request, they are asked to speak confidentially to a member of the Strategic Leadership Team to discuss the issues. Parents/carers should be assured that we will do all we can to help.

If any parent/carer would like to query 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 religious objections, 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/carers are invited to draw this to the attention of the Head Teacher. The school will not treat pupils with disabilities unfavourably.

The role of Governors

The Governing Body supports the Head Teacher in implementing the school uniform policy. It considers all representations from parents/carers regarding this 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 national regulations concerning equal opportunities, and that our school uniform policy is consistent with our policy on equal opportunities.

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

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Monitoring and review

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

- seek the views of parents and carers, to be sure that they agree with the policy, and support it;
- consider with the Head Teacher any requests from parents for individual children to have special dispensations;
- require the Head Teacher to report to the governors on the way the policy is being implemented.

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

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