

# ***The Ryde School***

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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, equality and belonging towards the school
- is practical and smart
- identifies the children with the school
- 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:**

- royal blue sweatshirt or cardigan preferably embroidered with the school logo
- grey trousers, skirt or shorts
- white or pale blue polo shirt preferably embroidered with the school logo
- white or pale blue blouses or shirts
- blue check dresses for summer
- white or grey socks or tights

For P.E. children should wear:

- white T-shirt
  - navy blue shorts
  - a change of trainers or plimsolls
  - navy blue jogging bottoms in winter
  - navy blue sweatshirt
- (all reasonably priced at local supermarkets)

## **Jewellery**

On health and safety grounds we do not allow children to wear jewellery in our school. The exceptions to this rule are earring studs in pierced ears (which should be of a gold or silver colour only), and small objects of religious significance. We ask the children to either remove these objects during PE and games, or cover them with a plaster or tape (provide by the parent), to prevent them from causing injury.

## **Hair Accessories**

Hair accessories are important for children to keep their hair tidy and safe. Hair bands, ribbons, slides etc. are acceptable items to wear in hair, but must be black, royal blue or white, or a combination of both colours.

## **Nails**

In the interest of health and safety it is not suitable for children to wear false nails of any description. We also consider it is inappropriate for children to wear nail varnish. We do not expect any child to come to school wearing nail varnish of any type or colour.

## **Footwear**

We require all children to wear black shoes or black trainers.

Children may wear boots to school but will be expected to change into their shoes or trainers once at school.

## **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 responsibility to send their children to school correctly dressed and ready for their daily schoolwork.

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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.

## **The role of governors**

The governing body approves 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 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.

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