Cannington Church of England Primary School

Together we grow, flourish and thrive. Psalm 92. 12-15

Uniform Policy

Responsible Person	Headteacher
Agreed by the Headteacher	01.09.26
Review period	Annually
Review Date	01.09.27

1. Introduction

This policy outlines the expectations for school uniform at Cannington Church of England Primary School. Our uniform helps to foster a sense of belonging, reflects our Christian values, and contributes to a calm, purposeful learning environment. It has been written in accordance with the Department for Education (DfE) statutory guidance on the cost of school uniforms.

2. Aims

Our uniform policy aims to:

- Promote pride in being part of Cannington Church of England Primary School

- Ensure children are dressed safely and appropriately for learning

- Keep costs reasonable and minimise the need for branded items

- Support equality, inclusion, and our school values

- Maintain a consistent and practical approach for families

3. Equalities and Inclusion

We are committed to ensuring that our uniform policy is fair, inclusive and does not disadvantage any pupil. Reasonable adjustments will be made for religious or cultural dress requirements, special educational needs or disabilities, and medical or sensory needs. Parents and carers are encouraged to speak with the Headteacher regarding any required adaptations.

4. School Uniform Requirements

4.1 Everyday Uniform

- Top: White or light blue polo shirt or shirt

- Sweatshirt / Cardigan: School-branded or plain royal blue

- Trousers / Shorts: Grey or navy

- Skirt / Pinafore: Grey or navy

- Summer Dress: Blue gingham (optional)

- Footwear: Black, flat school shoes

- Socks/Tights: Grey, black, navy, or white

4.2 PE Kit

- T-shirt: Plain white

- Shorts: Navy or black

- Joggers/Leggings: Navy or black (for colder weather)

- Footwear: Trainers or plimsolls

- Pupils may wear their school jumper.

4.3 Other Items

- Coat: Weather-appropriate coat of any colour

- Hair: Long hair must be tied back for safety

- Jewellery: Small stud earrings and a watch only (earrings must be removed or taped for PE)

- Make-up/Nail varnish: Not permitted

- Religious items: Permitted as long as they do not pose a safety risk

5. Branded Items and Affordability

Cannington Church of England Primary School aims to keep branded items to a minimum. Branded uniform is optional unless specifically stated. Plain items can be purchased from any supermarket or high-street store. Pre-loved uniform is available through the school office and PTA uniform sales. Families experiencing financial difficulty are encouraged to contact the school for confidential support.

6. Suppliers

A list of recommended suppliers is available on our school website and from the school office. Families are free to purchase non-branded items from any retailer.

7. Roles and Responsibilities

Parents/Carers: Ensure their child attends school in the correct uniform and communicate with the school regarding any temporary issues.

Pupils: Wear their uniform with pride and keep their uniform tidy and well looked after.

Staff: Apply the policy fairly and consistently and communicate sensitively with parents where concerns arise.

8. Adjustments and Exceptions

The school will make reasonable adjustments for pupils who require variations for medical needs, cultural or religious reasons, sensory needs or disabilities, or temporary injuries.

9. Non-Compliance

When a pupil is not in the correct uniform, the school will:

1. Speak with the parent/carer to understand the reason

2. Offer support where needed

3. Apply the policy in line with DfE guidance and with consideration for individual circumstances. No child will be excluded from learning solely for uniform issues.

10. Monitoring and Review

This policy is reviewed annually to ensure that it remains affordable, inclusive, and compliant with DfE guidance. Parents, carers, pupils, staff, and governors may be consulted as part of the review.