



## Icknield Walk First School Uniform Policy

A formal school uniform gives a feeling of shared identity within the school community and we believe this is important for all the children.

In producing this policy, the staff and governors have tried to ensure that all items are readily available and are as low cost as possible.

The key purposes of having a school uniform are:

- Helps to ensure your children keep as safe as possible
- To ensure practical clothing for the activities within the school
- To promote a feeling of shared identity within the school community
- Supports our belief that all children are equal



The expectation is that all pupils in reception to year 4 must wear school uniform.

General points on the school uniform:

- School logos on items of clothing are available but not compulsory
- All items of clothing, footwear and bags must be named

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Tops	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>✓ Light blue polo shirt with a collar Or royal blue and white checked school dress</li><li>✓ Sweatshirt, jumper or cardigan in royal blue (If at any time your child is cold - due to increased ventilation in schools to manage virus transmission we would encourage your child to put on their PE jumper too)</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>✗ No hoods</li></ul>
Bottoms	<p>Smart grey and either:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>✓ Skirt, culottes or pinafore dress (approximately knee length) Or full length trousers Or shorts Or royal blue and white checked school dress Leggings can be worn under a skirt or dress.</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>✗ No tracksuit bottoms</li><li>✗ No hotpants</li><li>✗ No jeans</li></ul>
Footwear	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>✓ Plain Black Shoes/trainers (including black logo)</li><li>✓ Wellies or boots when wet weather (any colour)</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>✗ No boots to be worn in class</li><li>✗ No sandals or flip-flops</li><li>✗ No crocs</li><li>✗ No high heels</li><li>✗ No trainers which are not black with a black logo</li><li>✗ No open toed shoes</li></ul>
Socks / Tights	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>✓ Black, grey or white plain socks or tights</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>✗ No patterns</li></ul>

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PE Kit	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ White T-Shirt</li> <li>✓ Black shorts</li> <li>✓ Sweatshirt (black)</li> <li>✓ Plain jogging or tracksuit bottoms (black)</li> <li>✓ Black, grey or white socks</li> <li>✓ Trainers (for outdoor wear)</li> </ul>	
Outdoor Wear	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Colour and style at parents' discretion</li> <li>✓ Coat / Jacket which is weather appropriate</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✗ No umbrellas to be used during school hours (though obviously fine for journeys to school)</li> </ul>
Hair	<p>Pupils are asked to avoid extremes of fashion in style and colour.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Hair which is long enough to be tied back must be tied back</li> <li>✓ All hair accessories to be simple in style and in keeping with the school uniform colours (black, white, grey or royal blue)</li> <li>✓ Hair extensions and braiding must be of a natural hair colour. Bright conspicuous colours are not acceptable.</li> <li>✓ Afro-textured hair can be worn in all styles including, but not limited to, afros, locs, twists, braids, cornrows, fades, hair straightened through the application of heat or chemicals, in keeping with natural hair colour</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✗ No hair colouring</li> <li>✗ No shaved designs</li> <li>✗ No long ribbons</li> <li>✗ Alice bands must be removed for PE and an alternative available</li> </ul>
Bags	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Book bag for reading book and letters</li> <li>✓ PE kit bag to be stored during the week at school</li> <li>✓ Plastic Bag or Boot Bag for dirty trainers</li> <li>✓ Lunch bag or box if child is having a packed lunch from home</li> </ul>	
Water Bottles	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Any colour and pattern</li> <li>✓ Must have a sports non-spill cap</li> <li>✓ Must contain still water only</li> <li>✓ For use at all times that your child is in school</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✗ No drinks other than plain, still water</li> <li>✗ No glass bottles</li> </ul>
Jewellery	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Watches for years 2, 3 and 4 only. These may include those with basic health trackers (ie basic <i>fitbits</i>) but should not be 'smart' watches with cameras and access to the internet.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✗ No earrings are permitted</li> <li>✗ No jewellery is permitted</li> </ul>
Makeup, Nail Varnish and Tattoos		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✗ None is permitted</li> </ul>
Mobile Phones		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✗ Not permitted at school</li> </ul>

Suggestions on where items can be purchased from:

- Many items are available for purchase on-line through Schoolyard Limited in Royston.
- The PTA regularly hold second hand uniform sales, if you are struggling to pay for uniform in the sale, please talk to a member of staff who will be pleased to help you.
- Water bottles are available to buy from the school office.
- Most large supermarkets and department style stores also have dedicated school uniform sections both in store and online.

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IWFS is an inclusive school. The Head Teacher will consider carefully (and where they feel necessary consult with the School Governing Body) any request that is made to vary the policy in any way to:

- meet the needs of any individual pupil to accommodate their religion or belief, taking into careful account the needs of all children to feel included in the school community and also to meet health and safety requirements.
- support a child with any permanent or temporary medical condition.
- support specific sensory needs of children

If a child is not wearing the correct uniform, a risk assessment will be made to decide if the child's clothes are appropriate for the activities. If necessary alternative clothing (such as changing open toed sandals for trainers) will be used. Parents will be contacted to ask them to provide suitable uniform in future. (Please note that there is a separate sun safe policy).

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### **Appendices**

As some of the uniform policy items are only appropriate at specific times of the year or for specific year groups, it was felt by the governing body that to issue all the uniform policy to all parents in one go was unnecessary and therefore, to supplement the core of the basic uniform policy above that a number of appendices would be added for the staff to refer to and issue as they feel appropriate:

- Appendix 1:       Our Nursery Children
- Appendix 2:       Year 3 and 4 Swimming Kit

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## **Our Nursery Children**

Though school uniform is not compulsory in the nursery, we strongly encourage children to wear the polo shirt and the sweatshirt to help identify themselves as being part of the whole school.

We do encourage nursery children (both boys and girls) to wear jogging bottoms or elasticated shorts (rather than formal school trousers or a skirt and tights) as this makes independent toileting much easier.

- For safety reasons it is compulsory that all nursery children:
  - meet the policy on jewellery
  - wear shoes with a closed toe and which are secure on their feet.

In the spring term nursery children need plimsolls

In the summer term they will need a PE kit (t-shirt and shorts)

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### **Year 3 and 4 Swimming Kit**

Swimming Kit	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>✓ Swimming Wear</li><li>✓ One piece swimming costume</li><li>✓ Rash vest and tight fitting swim shorts</li><li>✓ Some form of modest Muslim swimwear such as the Burkini.</li><li>✓ Tight fitting swimming trunks</li><li>✓ Towel</li><li>✓ Bag for children to carry their kit comfortably to the leisure centre</li><li>✓ Brush / comb</li><li>✓ Swim hats must be worn</li><li>✓ Goggles if you wish</li><li>✓ Waterproof coat</li><li>✓ Warm hat for cold days</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>✗ No bikinis, no tankinis</li><li>✗ No shorts that flap around the legs</li></ul>
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