


#### Abstract

At Albert Primary School, it is our policy that all children wear school uniform when attending school or when representing the school at events outside normal school hours. We provide a complete list of our school uniform in our school prospectus which is available from the school office or on the school website at www.albertprimary.co.uk


## 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;
- 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 and carers;
- has been designed with health and safety in mind.


## A full list of the school uniform is listed in Appendix 1

## Jewellery

Children are permitted to wear a wristwatch.
Children with pierced ears are allowed to wear very small studs only.

## Health and Safety in P.E.

Children will not be permitted to take part in P.E. sessions if they are wearing jewellery. Children must be able to remove and replace their own jewellery. Children must have the appropriate kit to take part in P.E. lessons.

## Extreme haircuts and hair colours

We do not expect children to come to school with extreme haircuts of any type including tram-lines and patterns cut into the hair or hair dyed in extreme colours as this can distract from learning.

Please note, for health and safety reasons it is advisable for long hair to be ties back. However, long hair must be tied back for P.E. lessons!

## Footwear

Footwear should be that of black, flat shoes with closed heels and toes.
Sports/football style shoes are acceptable but should be predominantly black.
Children are allowed to wear boots to come to and from school during the winter months but should change into other shoes to wear in class. (They will need to bring a carrier bag to store their boots in.)
In Summer, children may wear sandals which should be worn with socks and should be well secured around the ankle.
Crocs and flip-flop style shoes are not acceptable.

## Labelling

All clothing and footwear should be labelled clearly with the child's name.

## Affordability

The Governing Body considers the following when keeping down the cost of school uniform:

- The school will only stipulate basic features of the school uniform eg colour so that school uniform can be purchased from multiple suppliers;
- Although the school does have a logo on jumpers and polo shirts, this is not compulsory;
- Second-hand school uniform sales will be encouraged through the PTA [SOAP].

If you have any financial challenges with the purchase of a school uniform please contact the school office.

## Equality

Our school uniform policy is inclusive and does not discriminate on the basis of gender and sex identity. As such, the school does not stipulate which items of uniform need to be worn by boys or girls.

## Medical issues

To meet the needs of some children and young people, particularly disabled children who might have specific needs. For example, pupils with some skin conditions or sensory needs may be unable to wear specific fabrics or items, and pupils with foot or leg injuries may be unable to wear school shoes.

## Extremes of Weather

The Governing Body takes a common sense approach to the uniform policy when there is extreme weather. For example, pupils are allowed to wear shorts in the hotter weather and boots in cold weather.

## The Role of Parents

We ask all parents to support our school uniform policy. We believe that parents have a duty to send their children to school correctly dressed and ready for learning. One of the responsibilities of the parent/carer is to ensure that their child has the correct uniform and that it is clean and in good repair.

## The Role of the Governing Body

The governing body supports the headteacher in the implementation of the school uniform policy. It considers all representations from parents regarding the 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 hard-wearing, safe and practical.

## Monitoring and Review

The governing body will monitor and review the school uniform policy by;

- Considering, with the headteacher, any requests for any individual children to have special dispensation with regard to school uniform.
- Requiring the headteacher to report to governors on the way the school uniform policy is implemented.


## Appendix 1

## Albert Primary School Uniform

Our school uniform consists of:


Green jumper/cardigan
White/Green polo shirt
Navy trousers/skirt/pinafore dress
Green \& White striped/checked summer dress
Sensible shoes (Closed heels and toes.)
Summer - sandals may be worn but must be secured around the ankle. (No flip-flops or Croc type shoes)

## Year 6 only - Black Polo Shirts

Our branded uniform (logo tops, coats, fleeces etc) are all available from 'A Class Apart' on The Parade, Dinas Powys.

All clothes need to be clearly labelled with your child's name to ensure that all items of clothing can be easily identified.

A Green book bag will be given to each child when they start at the school. If however, your child's bag needs replacing your can purchase them at the school office at a cost of $£ 5.00$ each.

## P.E. Kits

White T-shirt
Navy Shorts
Navy Jogging Bottoms \& Hoodie (in cold weather)
Trainers/daps

Please send P.E. kits to school in a soft draw string bag clearly labelled with your child's name. Please do not send rucksacks or other sports bags as we do not have space for storage.

