



# **SCHOOL UNIFORM POLICY**

**SANDON PRIMARY ACADEMY**

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# Introduction

At Sandon Primary Academy, pupils wear their uniform with pride. We believe that a smart, consistent uniform promotes a sense of belonging, encourages positive behaviour, and supports effective teaching and learning. We ask all parents and carers to support the academy by ensuring pupils attend school in the correct uniform each day.

We ask that uniform items are labelled to ensure lost items can easily be identified.

## Main School Uniform

The following items are required unless otherwise stated (the PE kit and cardigan/jumper are heavily subsidised):

### Upper Body

- Claret sweatshirt or cardigan with the academy badge.
  - Nursery, Reception & new pupils wear the blue trim design.
  - Branded items are available from School's In.
- Blue polo shirt.
  - Badged polo shirts are available from School's In.
  - Unbadged blue polo shirts are also acceptable.

### Lower Body

- Plain black or grey trousers.
- Plain black or grey skirt.

### Footwear

- Plain black shoes.
- Velcro fastenings are recommended for younger children unless they can independently tie shoelaces.

### Optional Summer Uniform

During warmer months, pupils may wear:

- Blue and white gingham summer dresses.
- Plain black or grey shorts.

### Socks and Tights

- Plain black or white socks.
- Plain grey or black tights.

## PE Kit

All pupils are required to wear the academy PE kit.

### Required Items

- Outer blue PE top.
- Outer blue PE bottoms.

- Inner PE top.

### **Nursery and Reception**

- Nursery and Reception pupils may wear a plain white unbranded top as their inner PE top.

All PE kit items are available from School's In, Meir.

## **Items Not Permitted**

The following items must not be worn in school:

- Hoodies.
- Sportswear (other than for PE lessons).
- Non-uniform sweatshirts.
- Trainers (except during PE lessons or where specifically authorised).
- Nail varnish.
- Crocs.
- Slip-on sandals.

## **Hair and Appearance**

Pupils should have sensible hairstyles that are appropriate for school.

Hair should:

- Be natural in colour.
- Be tied back if it is long.
- Not include patterns, tramlines, shaved designs, or similar styles.

The academy reserves the right to determine whether a hairstyle is appropriate for school.

## **Jewellery and Hair Accessories**

For health and safety reasons, jewellery should be kept to a minimum.

### **Permitted Items**

- Plain hairbands.
- Plain hair bobbles.
- Small bows.
- Small hair clips.
- Accessories in school colours or blue and white gingham.
- Watches.
- One pair of plain stud earrings or hoops tight to earlobe.

### **PE Lessons**

- Earrings must not be worn during PE lessons.
- Pupils should be able to remove earrings themselves where appropriate.

### **Not Permitted**

- Fashion jewellery.

- Large earrings.
- Necklaces.
- Bracelets.
- Rings.
- Elaborate hair accessories.

## **Non-Compliance with the Uniform Policy**

Where a pupil attends school without the correct uniform:

- Parents or carers may be contacted and asked to bring appropriate clothing to school.
- Jewellery and unsuitable hair accessories will be removed where possible and returned to parents or carers at the end of the school day.
- Inappropriate hairstyles may be challenged and parents asked to ensure they are not repeated.
- Persistent or deliberate non-compliance with the uniform policy may result in appropriate sanctions in line with the academy's behaviour procedures.

The academy will always seek to work positively with families where there are exceptional circumstances affecting compliance.

## **Weather Guidance**

### **Cold Weather**

During the autumn and winter months, pupils are strongly encouraged to bring:

- A warm coat.
- A hat.
- Gloves.
- A scarf.

This helps ensure children can comfortably enjoy outdoor playtimes and learning opportunities.

### **Hot Weather**

During periods of hot weather, parents and carers are strongly advised to ensure children have:

- Sun cream applied before school.
- A suitable sun hat.

Further information about staying safe in the sun can be found on the NHS website.

## **New to You Uniform Scheme**

Sandon Primary Academy is committed to making school uniform affordable for all families.

### **Uniform Donations**

Families with unwanted or outgrown uniform are encouraged to:

- Wash items before donation.
- Bring clothing to the school office.

## **Uniform Swap Shop**

During the final week of the academic year, the academy operates a 'New to You' Uniform Swap Shop, enabling families to obtain good-quality second-hand uniform free of charge ahead of the new

school year in September.

### **Second-Hand Uniform**

The school maintains a small supply of second-hand uniform throughout the year. Families wishing to purchase available items should contact the school office for further information.

### **Further Information**

If you have any questions about school uniform requirements, availability of second-hand uniform, or support with purchasing uniform, please contact the school office.