Mount Nod School
Uniform Policy

Introduction

It is our school policy that all children wear school uniform when attending school, or when participating in school-organised events outside normal school hours. We ask children to wear their shirts tucked into their skirts or trousers and to take a pride in their personal appearance. Some items of uniform can be bought from **Clive Mark Schoolwear, 88-90 Barker Butts Lane, CV6 1DY** or **The Schoolwear Company, 55 Winsford Avenue, CV5 9JG**. Other items are easily available, at very competitive prices, at local shops including supermarkets. A complete list of the items needed for school uniform including those for Physical Education, is listed at the end of the document.

Aims and objectives

Our policy on school uniform is based on the belief that school uniform:

- promotes a sense of pride in our school;
- helps to create a sense of community and belonging towards the school;
- identifies the children with the school;
- supports our commitment to inclusion;
- prevents children from wearing 'fashion clothes' that could be distracting in class;
- is practical, smart and designed with health and safety in mind;
- is considered good value for money by most parents;

Jewellery, Hair Ornaments, Make-up and Nail Varnish

For health and safety reasons we do not allow children to wear jewellery. The exceptions to this rule are ear-ring studs in pierced ears and small objects of religious significance. Children are required to remove any items during PE lessons to prevent them from causing injury.

Please note: Teachers are not permitted to remove earrings.

Any small items of religious significance, which cannot be removed, should be covered with a sweatband.

Ribbons or 'scrunchies' should be plain and unadorned. Hair bands/hair accessories should be plain and with no additions.

Make up and nail varnish should not be worn to school unless for an out of school hours function, for example a school disco.

Extreme hairstyles are not appropriate for school. The use of styling products should be kept to a minimum and children should not have decorative patterns cut into their hair or have hair coloured or dyed.

The Role of Parents

We believe that one of the responsibilities of parents is to ensure that their child has the correct uniform and PE kit, that it is clean, in good repair and that the child's name is written on all items. If a parent has difficulties for any reason with fulfilling this request they are asked to speak confidentially to a senior member of staff to discuss the issues. Parents should be assured that we will do all we can to help.

Parents will be contacted to discuss the matter, if children arrive at school wearing non-school uniform or who do not have a PE kit.

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 consider such requests sympathetically. If any parent would like to request a modification to the uniform policy they should, in the first instance, contact the Head Teacher.

The Role of Governors

The Governing Body supports the Head Teacher in implementing the school uniform policy. It considers all representations from parents regarding the uniform policy and liaises with the Head Teacher 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 enables children to dress sensibly, in clothing that is hardwearing, safe and practical.

Monitoring and Review

The Governing Body monitors and reviews the school uniform policy through its committee work by:

- seeking the views of parents, to ensure that they agree with and support the policy;
- considering, with the Head Teacher, any requests from parents for individual children to have special dispensation with regard to school uniform;

School Uniform List

Our school uniform colour is a combination of red and grey/black. Most items can be bought from high street shops or supermarkets. ***Items marked with * can be purchased with the school logo embroidered on the front, from the suppliers named above.***

Our uniform consists of:

- Red sweatshirt, cardigan or fleece* (preferably with school logo as shown below)
- White blouse or polo shirt*
- Grey or black trousers (or shorts weather permitting)
- Grey skirt or pinafore
- Summer dresses - Red gingham
- Grey or red tights
- Grey or white socks
- Black school shoes (low heels) - not trainers
- Hijabs should be red, black or grey

PE KIT

- Plain coloured shorts (black)
- Plain white round neck T-shirt. Owl logo white T-shirts with school houses and names on are available via Clive Marks Schoolwear and The Schoolwear Company
- Pumps or trainers (**no** Crocs or Ugg Boots)
- Track suits/jogging bottoms and trainers can be work for outside lessons when the weather is colder or damp.

NO commercial football kits in school for PE lessons