

The Bridge Federation

Salehurst CE Primary School
Staplecross Methodist Primary School



Uniform Policy 2024

Purpose, aims and objectives

It is our policy that all children wear school uniform when attending school for the following reasons:

Wearing school uniform:

- Promotes a sense of community, belonging and pride in our school
- Identifies the children as belonging to the school
- Supports our commitment to inclusion
- Is practical, smart and designed with health and safety in mind
- Is considered good value by most parents

Winter Uniform

Light or dark grey long school trousers

Light or dark grey pinafore or skirt

Long sleeved white shirt with school tie (Year 6)

White polo shirt

Knitted blue cardigan with logo

Knitted v neck sweater with logo

Blue sweat cardigan with logo

Blue sweatshirt with logo

Black or grey socks (boys), white socks or grey or black/navy tights (girls)

A wind and rainproof coat appropriate for school

Navy Blue	Salehurst CE Primary School
Royal Blue	Staplecross Methodist Primary School

Summer uniform

Light or dark grey shorts

Blue gingham school dress or culottes

Blue polo/white polo shirt with logo

Black or grey socks (boys) white socks (girls)

Any sun hat

Shoes

Black school shoes (no trainers, boots, platforms or heels, open toed sandals)

School Ties

Staplecross: on special occasions, eg Church and Leavers' Services, we may ask the older children to wear a long sleeved white shirt and school tie. We keep supplies of these in school and there is no obligation for parents to provide these.

Salehurst: Year 6 children may choose to wear a white shirt (short or long sleeved) and a school tie as part of their everyday uniform.

PE Kit

Staplecross

Gold t-shirt with school logo
Navy blue shorts
Black skorts
Navy blue jogging bottoms
Navy hoodie with school logo
Black plimsolls/white, black or grey trainers

Salehurst

Red or blue t-shirt with school logo
Navy blue shorts
Navy skort
Navy blue jogging bottoms
Black plimsolls/white, black or grey trainers

Bags

All children will need a book bag and a PE bag; this should be a school book bag and PE bag (available from the School Office).

Jewellery, Make up and Nail Varnish

For health and safety reasons, we do not allow children to wear jewellery to school, other than watches and plain, small stud earrings. Children are asked to remove stud earrings during PE lessons and school staff are not allowed to do this. If children are unable to remove themselves, we ask parents to remove the earrings before school. Smart watches, nail varnish and make-up are not allowed in school.

Hair styles

Children with long hair, ie reaching their shoulders, should have their hair tied up. This is for smartness and health and safety reasons, ie to discourage the spread of head lice, and for safety reasons during PE lessons.

Hair bands should be appropriate for school, ie school colours and not overly large or decorated. We do not allow hair dye, hair shorter than a grade 3 or extreme hair styles, ie contrasting lengths of hair or styles where hair falls into a child's eyes, as these are not appropriate for primary aged children. The parents of children who arrive at school with any of these will be spoken to by the headteacher and the children may be asked to wear a hat in school.

The Role of the 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 and in good repair and that the child's name is written on all items. If a parent has difficulty in fulfilling this request, please talk to a member of staff and we will discuss any problems and seek for a solution.

The Role of the Children

Part of being at school is learning how to be an independent person and so, as they grow older, children are expected to be able to dress and undress for PE lessons, find and replace their PE bag on their peg, along with their coat. They are also encouraged to look after their own belongings, treat their own and other children's clothing with respect. We ask that shirts are tucked in and encourage

each child to take pride in their appearance at school or when representing the school on outings or sports events.

The Role of Teachers

Each class will have routines and systems in order that children are encouraged to look after their belongings and be appropriately dressed for different school events. Teachers will let parents know when PE days are so that PE kit can be in school on certain days and will give plenty of notice if there is a change to uniform for school trip days or mufti days.

The Role of the Governors

The governing board supports the headteacher in implementing the school uniform policy. It considers all representation from parents regarding the uniform policy and liaises with the headteacher to see that the policy is implemented fairly and with sensitivity. Governors ensure that the uniform provided by the supplier is good quality and is hardwearing, safe and practical.

Equal Opportunities, Inclusion and Diversity

Salehurst CE Primary School and Staplecross Primary School are inclusive schools and one of the purposes of school uniform is to ensure that everybody can dress in the same way / be the same. The school, however, welcomes children from all backgrounds and faith communities and if there are significant religious reasons for an individual child to wear alternative/ additional items, this will be discussed with the parents and, where deemed appropriate, allowed.

Hardship Fund

Should any family require support with purchasing uniform, there is a hardship fund available and any requests will be treated in a confidential and sensitive way. Likewise, there is often secondhand uniform which can be made available on request.

This policy is made available to families when they join the school and is available on our school website.

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