



## **YSGOL CAER DREWYN** **SCHOOL UNIFORM POLICY**

### **Introduction**

It is our policy that all children should wear school uniform when attending school, or when participating in a school-organised event outside normal school hours. We provide a complete list of the items needed for school uniform in our school prospectus (see appendix 1). The only item that requires the school logo is the school sweatshirt or cardigan.

### **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
- Has been designed with health and safety in mind

### **Jewellery**

On health and safety grounds we do not allow children to wear jewellery in our school. The exceptions to this rule are ear-ring studs in pierced ears, and small objects of religious significance, (such as a crucifix on a chain) or medical significance. We ask the children to remove these objects during PE and games. Watches may be worn to school. However, they must be removed before any PE lessons. Please note that the school will be unable to take any responsibility for any jewellery that is lost.

### **Hair**

We recommend that hair should be neat and tidy and worn with no extremes of style or colour. Long hair should be tied back during PE lessons / swimming for safety.

### **Footwear**

The school wants all children to grow into healthy adults. We believe that it is dangerous for children to wear shoes with platform soles, high heels or flip flops in school, so we do not allow this. Nor do we allow children to wear coloured trainers to school; these are

appropriate for sport or as leisurewear, but are not in keeping with the smart appearance of a school uniform. Black or navy school shoes should only be worn.

In adverse weather conditions pupils may come to school wearing wellington boots / walking boots or bring them in a bag but please ensure they also have a change of shoes or slippers to wear inside school.

### **Make up**

No make up or nail varnish should be worn. Tattoos are also not permitted to be worn at school

### **Equipment**

Pencil cases should be of a standard size in order to not take up valuable desk space.

No knives, sharp blades or other similar items should be brought into the school in any circumstances

Mobile phones should not be brought into school without the permission of the Head teacher

No medicine should ever be brought to school by a child – with the exception of inhalers or epipen.

No inappropriate books, DVD's or magazines should be brought to school.

No money should be brought to school unless for a specific permissible purpose.

Bags to carry equipment and belongings in should be of a reasonable size as space in the cloakroom is limited.

### **The role of parents**

We ask all parents who send their children to our school for their support of the school uniform policy. We believe that parents have a duty to send their children to school correctly dressed and ready for their daily schoolwork. Parents should ensure that their child has the correct uniform, and that it is clean and in good repair with their child's name written on the label.

If any parent would like the school to modify the uniform they should make representation, in the first instance, to the Head teacher. The school welcomes children from all backgrounds and faith communities. If there are serious reasons, for example religious objections, why parents want their child to wear clothes that differ from the school uniform the school will look sympathetically at such requests. Similarly, should an item of school uniform prove problematic for a pupil with disabilities then parents are invited to draw this to the attention of the Head teacher. The school will not treat pupils with disabilities unfavourably.

Parents who are entitled to FSM may pay in installments for any item of school uniform. Second-hand uniforms are also available for purchase.

### **The role of governors**

The governing body supports the Head teacher in implementing the school uniform policy. It considers all representations from parents regarding this 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 schools uniform meets all national regulations concerning equal opportunities, and that our school uniform policy is consistent with our policy on equal opportunities.

The Head teacher has a duty to enforce the school uniform throughout the school community, as part of the duty within maintenance of day to day discipline in the school.

Governors ensure that the school uniform policy helps children to dress sensibly, in clothing that is hardwearing, safe and practical.

The governors will ensure the quality and cost of the school uniform is regularly monitored to ensure best value.

### **The role of teachers and support staff**

All staff should set a good example in term of dress. No sport clothing to be worn unless physical education is being taught.

No jeans or denim to be worn, unless it is a staff training day, trip or a themed day.

### **Monitoring and review**

When monitoring this policy, through its committee work, the governing body will:

Seek the views of parents, to be sure that they agree with the policy, and support it  
Consider with the Head teacher any requests from parents for individual children to have special dispensations

Require the Headteacher to report to the governors on the way the policy is being implemented.

The policy was presented to and re-adopted by the governing body in the spring term 2019. This policy will be reviewed in the spring term 2022.

## **APPENDIX 1**

### **Ysgol Caer Drewyn uniform**

- White or light blue polo shirt
- Navy blue sweatshirt or cardigan with the school logo
- Grey, charcoal, black or navy school trousers (school shorts in the summer term)
- Grey or Navy skirt (length - no shorter than the knee)
- Blue checked dress (summer term)
- White, grey, black or navy socks/tights
- Flat black or navy shoes (flat sandals with a strap can be worn in the summer term)
- If wellington boots are worn to school a change of footwear must also be provided.
- Hair – neat and tidy, no extremes of style or colour (To be tied back for PE and swimming lessons)
- No make-up or nail varnish to be worn
- No tattoos to be worn
- Jewellery – only watches and stud earrings to be worn.