

## **Uniform Policy**

# Approved by Governing Body – July 2025

### To be reviewed September 2026

### 1. AIMS OF THE POLICY

- To provide a clear definition of the purpose and nature of uniform at King Edward.
- To identify our shared views of uniform expectations.
- To identify the roles and responsibilities of all stakeholders.
- To make clear the ways in which we aim to ensure that the policy makes an important contribution to the high expectations in the school.

#### 2. EXPECTATIONS

- It is our school policy that all children, from FS1 to Year 6, wear school uniform when attending school, or when participating in school-organised events outside normal school hours. Exceptions can be made by the headteacher for individuals based on welfare, SEND or pastoral reasons.
- We ask children to take a pride in their personal appearance.

## 3. 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;

# 4. MAKE-UP, NAIL VARNISH, TATTOOS

We do not allow children to wear make-up, nail varnish or temporary tattoos.

### 5. HAIR ACCESSORIES

- Children with long hair must have it tied back to minimise the risk of accidents.
- Hair accessories such as ribbons, hair slides or hair bands may be worn in line with our school colours.

## 6. JEWELLERY

- If a child has their ears pierced, they may come to school with a piercing but with a small stud. Strictly one piercing per ear.
- If a child intends to have their ears pierced, they will be asked to cover their studs with plasters or tape for PE Lessons.

### 7. FOOTWEAR

Footwear must be flexible, warm, and sturdy, with good grips to support outdoor play.
 Please note: footwear with a heel is not suitable for school, nor are Crocs or strappy sandals.

o Children may wear plain black trainers to school. Please note: coloured logos or features (e.g. air soles) are not permitted.

#### 8. CLOTHING

Our uniform consists of the following;

- A navy-blue jumper or cardigan with or without the school logo
- Grey trousers, skirt or shorts
- Plain black leggings may be worn under grey skirts or dresses
- White polo shirt with or without the school logo
- Blue gingham school dress

Our PE uniform is as follows;

- Plain white t-shirt <u>or</u> the School's logoed coloured PE t-shirts according to your child's Team Colour Red / Blue / Green / Yellow
- Plain black shorts, leggings or cycle shorts
- Plain black tracksuit bottoms
- Plain black sweatshirt
- Plain trainers that are suitable for outdoor sport.

Our uniform can be purchased from any retail store. Uniform items that include our school logo can be purchased at <a href="https://price-buckland.co.uk/">https://price-buckland.co.uk/</a>.

### 9. THE ROLE OF PARENTS

- Parents should ensure that their child has the correct uniform and PE kit, and that it is clean, in good repair and that their 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 member of staff to discuss the issues. Parents should be assured that we will do all we can to help.
- If a child arrives at school not meeting the expectations for our school uniform, a phone call will be made to parents providing them with an option to come to school to make the required changes or to give school staff permission to make the required changes (with the exception of removing earrings). This will be applied for any child without the appropriate PE kit.
- We welcome children from all backgrounds and faith communities. If there are serious reasons, for
  exampleon 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 headteacher.

### 10. THE ROLE OF GOVERNORS

- The governing body supports the headteacher in implementing the school uniform policy. It
  considers all representations from parents regarding the uniform policy and liaises with the
  headteacher to ensure thatthe policy is implemented fairly and with sensitivity.
- It is the governors' responsibility to ensure that the school uniform meets all regulations concerning equalopportunities.
- Governors ensure that the school uniform policy enables children to dress sensibly, in clothing that ishardwearing, safe and practical.

## 11. MONITORING AND REVIEW

The governing body monitors and reviews the school uniform policy by:

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