



VICARAGE PARK CE PRIMARY SCHOOL

School Uniform Policy September 2025

Vicarage Park CE (VC) Primary School, Kendal School's Vision Statement

*Pupils at our school are encouraged to be bold and live a fulfilling life through the values of **compassion, responsibility and courage** as they grow to have a better understanding of themselves, find their place in the world and learn what it means to love their neighbour.*

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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 polo shirts/shirts tucked into their skirts, shorts or trousers and to take pride in their personal appearance. School uniform at Vicarage Park is a way of showing the children, staff and parents/carers that they are ready, respectful and safe in line with our whole school ethos.

Some items such as jumpers/cardigans and fleece tops can be bought with the Vicarage Park school logo on, whilst other plain items are easily available at local shops and supermarkets. A complete list of the items needed for school uniform at Vicarage Park, including those for PE and Outdoor Learning is included in this policy.

We believe that the wearing of a school uniform enables the children to identify with their school, it creates a sense of belonging, is practical and smart, reinforces a positive work ethos and reduces costs for parents/carers.

Aims and Objectives:-

The aims of this policy are to:-

- Ensure clarity of what can be worn or not worn at school.
- Promote a sense of pride.
- Help to create a sense of community and belonging towards the school.
- Ensure that our children can be clearly identified with Vicarage Park School.
- Support our commitment to inclusion
- Ensure the uniforms are practical, smart, and affordable and are suitable with health and safety in mind.

Jewellery, hair accessories, make-up, nail varnishes and headscarves:-

For health and safety reasons we only allow children to wear 1 pair of small studs-these must be removed for PE/Outdoor Learning sessions or covered with micro-pore tape which would be provided by parents. **Please note that school staff are not permitted to remove earrings.**

Hair bands, ribbons/bows or scrunchies are permitted but need to be of a sensible size and not a distraction. Make-up and nail varnish should not be worn unless it relates to a charity/non-uniform day or at out of school social event such as a Friends of Vicarage Park disco/Year 6 Leavers Prom.

Children are permitted to wear headscarves if it for a religious purpose but these need to be shoulder length and no longer for safety reason.

Footwear:-

All children are required to wear flat, plain black shoes without logos, these should be closed with no toes showing, boots should also be flat and ankle height. Sandals and flip-flops are not permitted for health and safety reasons. Suitable indoor and outdoor footwear should also be in school for PE and Outdoor learning sessions. Wellies and splash suits are required for our EYFS children who attend regular Forest School sessions.

Adaptations for the weather:-

In the cold and wet weather children are expected to wear coats and scarves, gloves etc. Please can we ask that these along with all items of school uniform are clearly named. Should the weather be warm and sunny children can wear summer dresses, short sleeved polo shirts/shirts and shorts.

The role of parents:-

At Vicarage Park school we believe that it is the role of the parents to ensure that their child has the correct uniform and PE kit that it is in clean, in good condition and every item is clearly named. If a parent has difficulties fulfilling this request then please talk to a member of school staff and we will aim to support as much as possible. Any children who arrive at school wearing non-uniform or PE clothing or in case of an accident-will be loaned an appropriate item from school where possible. Parents will be contacted to discuss the matter and may be requested to return to school with the correct clothing. Vicarage Park School welcomes children from all faiths and backgrounds. If there is a reason why parents want their child to wear clothes that differ from ours then the school will consider these requests sympathetically and sensitively.

The role of the staff:-

Staff should support the schools uniform ethos by wearing high standards of working clothes. They should ensure that they are role models in wearing appropriate clothing including PE kit when delivering PE and on school trips. Where children fail to wear the correct uniform staff should make discrete and sympathetic enquiries. Staff should also be aware that sometimes a child's standard of dress may indicate a care issue at home and treat this as a Safeguarding concern. This should be referred to the DSL (Designated Safeguarding Lead Mrs Katie Green) or the DDSL (Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead-Mrs Natalie Evans).

The role of the governors:-

The governing body supports the school staff in implementing the Schools Uniform policy. It considers all representations from parents regarding the uniform policy and liaises with Mrs Katie Green (Headteacher) to ensure the policy is implemented fairly and sensitively. It is the governors responsibility to ensure that the school uniform meets all regulations concerning equal opportunities. Governors ensure the policy enables children to dress sensibly on clothing that is hardwearing, safe and practical.

Special Circumstances:-

Special dispensation can be requested for temporary exception from the school uniform or elements of it. This would usually be on medical grounds or for other exceptional circumstances. Mrs Katie Green-Headteacher will have the ultimate decision on this.

Lost Property:-

Any unidentified items of school uniform will be held in classrooms and once every term there will be a stall for children/parents to claim any lost items.

Children can become upset as a result of lost clothing. Please help us to reunite lost items of clothing with their owners by labelling items with your child's name.

Supporting parents with school uniform:-

The Friends of Vicarage Park Committee run a 'New to You' second hand uniform shop-this can be accessed online through a QR code or at various whole school events such as Open Evening/Sports Day and on certain treat afternoons.

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 regards to school uniform.



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- The left photograph shows two young girls standing in a grassy field with trees in the background. They are both wearing dark blue school sweaters with a small green logo on the left chest. The girl on the left is also wearing a dark skirt, and the girl on the right is wearing a light-colored patterned dress over a white shirt. The right photograph shows a young boy standing in front of a light-colored wooden door with two silver handles. He is wearing a dark blue school sweater with a small green logo on the left chest, dark shorts, and dark shoes. The floor in front of the door is covered with a blue carpet.

Please ensure all items of uniform are named.

Our P.E. uniforms consists of the following:

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