



DEREHAM CHURCH OF ENGLAND JUNIOR ACADEMY

UNIFORM POLICY

This is policy written by the school.

Our school uniform expectations are built up principles that appreciate uniform can be expensive. Therefore, we have put in place a policy that attempts to address any issues arising through hardship. There is absolutely no expectation that items of uniform should have the school logo on them.

Our uniform is smart and simple, and we expect all children to be in correct school attire each day.

Below sets out what children should wear to school:

SCHOOL UNIFORM (Non-PE days)

Children should wear:

- Purple school jumper or cardigans (logo optional)
- White polo shirt, blouse or shirt (logo optional)
- Black or grey trousers (full length), pinafore dress, skirts or tailored shorts
- Lilac 'gingham' summer school dresses (white socks allowed with these)
- Completely black, flat-soled, sensible shoes or boots
- Black or dark grey socks or tights (not white).

No: Open-toed shoes or sandals; Leggings (tights or socks should be used with skirts); different coloured soles or logos on footwear.

PE KIT

On the days when children have PE, pupils are allowed to come into school in their PE kit. We have equally high but realistic expectations around PE Kit as we do for our other school uniform:

On PE days, children should come to school in:

- Plain white t-shirt (school polo shirt is acceptable if you do not have a white t-shirt)
- Plain black shorts or
- Plain black leggings (girls)
- Trainers
- Plain black, grey or navy tracksuit for colder months (school jumper can be worn instead of a tracksuit top).

Note: branded tracksuits with **small** different coloured logos, stripes, swooshes, etc. **are** allowed as long as the main colour is black or navy. No large brand names or images across tops or down tracksuit bottoms are allowed.

No: Football kits (including teams children play for); clothing with writing or images on (**small** brand logos are allowed – see above 'note').

JEWELLERY AND MAKE-UP

With the exception of a wristwatch and silver or gold STUD earrings, no jewellery is permitted in school. Smart watches that allow pupils to read messages are **not** permitted.

Make-up is not permitted whatsoever. This includes nail-varnish.

We ask that children take their earrings out before coming to school on PE days. This is for health and safety reasons as a pupil is more likely to be struck by a ball or come into contact with others during these sessions. This increases the likelihood of the earring stem piercing the skin behind the ear.

If your child wears silver or gold studs on PE days they will be asked to do the following:

- Remove their earrings before the PE session (staff are not permitted to do this)
- If the above is not possible, the pupil will be asked to tape up their own earrings*
- If the above is not possible, the member of staff will help the pupil tape up their earrings
- If the above is not possible, the pupil will take part in PE with their earrings in but we cannot be held responsible for any injury that occurs.**

*Taping of earrings is nowhere near as effective as complete removal in terms of avoiding injury.

** Pupils will not sit out of PE for wearing earrings.

If you plan on having your child's ears pierced, we advise that you do this at the beginning of the summer holidays so they have a sustained period of time when they do not have to be removed. However, we appreciate this is not always possible.

Children must remove watches prior to PE sessions. Again, pupils are more likely to come into contact with others during these lessons and watches could potentially cause harm to the wearer or other pupils.

HAIR

We are a completely inclusive school and recognise that a person's hair and the way they wear it can be influenced by race, culture, disability and gender.

Our expectations are the same for boys and girls and there is no set rule regarding length or style for either. We encourage families to keep colouring to an absolute minimum but appreciate there may be mitigating circumstances for this.

We also ask that pupils keep headwear to a minimum but willingly make exceptions on the grounds of:

- Disability
- Race
- Religion or belief system

Hair in PE

Pupils with long hair should tie it back for PE sessions. This is to help reduce the likelihood of any accidents occurring caused by their vision being obscured or it being accidentally grabbed. If a pupil does not have a hair tie for PE and there is a need for it to be tied back, staff may provide them with something to do this.

SUPPORT

If your child is unable to wear any elements of our school uniform, please contact the school and let us know; we are always willing to help if we can. We encourage parents and carers to recycle any uniform they no longer have any need for by donating it to the school. This means that we always have a selection of uniform in school that we can give to families if they really need it.

If you are unsure about any of this information, please do not hesitate to contact the school.