# Ropsley Church of England Primary School UNIFORM POLICY

#### Aims and objectives

Our policy on school uniform is based on the belief that school uniform:

- o 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;
- o is practical, smart and designed with health and safety in mind;
- is considered good value for money by most parents;

# **Expectations**

We expect all pupils to comply with this uniform policy, which will be monitored. If a pupil falls short of these requirements their parents will be advised of this fact by their class teacher. Information about how to acquire the correct items will provided. Continued failure to comply will be brought to the attention of the Headteacher.

#### The Role of Parents

We believe that one of the responsibilities of parents is to ensure that their child has the correct uniform and PE kit, and that it is clean, in good repair and that the child's name is written on all items.

#### 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 that the policy is implemented fairly and with sensitivity. It is the governors' responsibility to ensure that the school uniform meets all regulations concerning equal opportunities. Governors ensure that the school Uniform Policy enables children to dress sensibly, in clothing that is hardwearing, safe and practical.

# Where to buy School uniform

Uniform can be bought online from Your School Uniform

Address Hubaco House Railway View Clay Cross Chesterfield S45 9FR.

Telephone Number: 01773 837377

Website: https://www.yourschooluniform.com/

Uniform can also be bought form most major stores at competitive prices.

#### **School Uniform List**

### **Jewellery and buttons**

It is not appropriate for children to wear jewellery except a sensible watch and a pair of small plain stud earrings. Please read the guidance below which relates to earrings in school and PE. In addition, children may not wear clothes with buttons during PE lessons for Health and Safety reasons.

# Hairstyles

Hairstyles should be appropriate for school, i.e. no "mohicans", no designs cut into hair, no extremely short hair (no-guard or number 1) or bright coloured highlights. All long hair (shoulder length or longer) should be tied back.

#### **School Bags**

There is no reason for children to bring large bags into school. There is a great shortage of space in the cloakrooms and large bags exacerbate the problem. Lunch boxes can be carried and stored on trolleys. Book bags are appropriate and can be purchased from our school uniform suppliers.

#### • Main Uniform Items

Navy blue sweatshirt or cardigan with school logo

- Mid-grey skirt, pinafore, shorts or trousers
- Pale blue polo shirt with or without school logo
- Black school shoes and plain mid-grey socks or tights.

In summer pupils may wish to wear light blue checked summer dresses with white socks.

#### PE Kit

- A pale blue t-shirt with school logo
- Navy blue shorts, (cycling, rugby, football style shorts or skorts)
- Plimsolls (KS1 only) and trainers (if socks are worn, they should be white).
- A navy tracksuit is needed for outdoor PE when the weather gets colder. Shin pads

#### Swimming

For swimming lessons, girls need to wear a one-piece swimsuit. Boys need to wear tight fitting trunks and not the knee-length, loose shorts available; as air gets into these, which affects their speed and agility in the water. **All** children require a swimming hat.

# **Outdoor Clothing**

• A pair of waterproof trousers and a waterproof coat and Wellington boots

# **After-school Sports and Competitions**

#### **Football Club**

The rules for inter-school and county competitions require that football boots should be worn. Therefore, we ask that children attending after school clubs wear football boots (plastic and metal studs are both acceptable) and shin pads.

If your child is chosen to represent the school for a sporting event, they may be provided with a school kit. However, if they are required to wear their PE kit, we expect them to be dressed

in the correct clothes, as stated above. It will state in their letter whether they will be provided with school kit or not.

# **Equality Impact Assessment**

We as a school community have a commitment to promote equality. Therefore, an equality impact assessment has been undertaken and we believe this policy is in line with the Equality Act 2010 as it is fair, it does not prioritise or disadvantage any pupil and it helps to promote equality at this school.

# **Monitoring and Review**

The governing body monitors and reviews the school uniform policy through its committee work 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;

| Name:                 | Uniform Policy     |
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| Approved by:          | Board of Governors |
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