



Talavera Junior School
Uniform Policy

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Introduction

It is our school policy that all children wear school uniform when attending school, or participating in school-organised events outside of school hours. This policy, outlines and clarifies our uniform expectations as a school. We take a whole school approach on uniform and our expectations.

Aims and objectives

Our policy in school uniform is based on the opinion that school uniform;

- Promotes a sense of pride in the school,
- Creates a sense of community and belonging towards the school,
- Is practical and smart with health and safety in mind.
- Prevents children from coming into school in clothing that could be distracting and prevent learning.
- Is of good value for money for all parents/carers.

School Uniform

At our school, we encourage our children to look Talavera Smart; this means that we have high expectations of their presentation.

- Red school jumper or cardigan - You can order our branded school jumper or school cardigan from Edgar Jerome. Children are not expected to wear a branded school jumper. Parents must ensure that school jumpers are red and plain.
- White polo shirt or white shirt.
- Black skirt, shorts or trousers.
- Black school shoes – these must not be trainers or boots. School shoes must also be flat and buckle securely for health and safety.

As part of our school policy, leggings are not part of our school uniform.

When moving around school, it is expected that children's shirts are tucked in and collars are neatly presented.

PE Kit

At Talavera, we recognise the importance of PE and the role it has to play in promoting long-term, healthy lifestyles. The aim of our PE curriculum is to provide all children with high- quality, inspiring and engaging PE lessons which are enjoyable, challenging and accessible to all.

- A red PE top – A branded Talavera PE top can be purchased from our school shop Edgar Jerome.
- Plain black PE shorts.
- Plain black jogging bottoms.
- Trainers
- An extra pair of socks to be worn during lessons.
- A jumper during cold weather.

Jewellery

Jewellery is not permitted at school.

The exceptions to this rule are:

- Stud earrings.
- Small objects of religious significance e.g. a Christian crucifix or Sikh Kara.

All jewellery items, including those of religious significance, must be removed for PE lessons. This is for health and safety reasons.

Children with earrings, must be able to remove these themselves in order to participate in PE lessons. As a school we ask, if you wish for your child to have their ear's pierced that this is done at the start of the summer holidays in order for it not to interfere with your child's physical education.

Hairstyles

- Hair longer than shoulder must be tied up at all times throughout the school day.
- Hair-dye is not permitted at school and we ask children to maintain their natural hair colour.

Footwear

- School shoes must be practical leather shoes that provide support and securely buckle.

Make-up

- Make- up is not permitted.
- Nail varnish is not permitted.

Labelling

As a school we encourage our pupils to take pride in their clothing and footwear. We therefore ask that all pupils' clothing and footwear is clearly labelled with their name. Clothing and footwear are the responsibility of the pupil and not the school.

Equality

The school is required to ensure that this policy does not discriminate unlawfully. Every step has been taken to ensure that the cost of similar uniform items, for example, trousers versus skirts, are not disproportionate. The school endeavours to ensure that our uniform is as gender neutral and inclusive as possible. We do not insist that children of any sex must wear specific items of clothing.

If for any reason you are struggling to purchase appropriate school uniform, please do not hesitate to talk to the Headteacher regarding your situation. Where possible, the school will endeavour to provide as much support as possible.

Non-compliance

Non-compliance with our school policy will result in a phone-call home. In situations where children are dressed inappropriately or wearing inappropriate footwear, alternatives will be provided for the remainder of the school day. For continued non-compliance with the school uniform policy, a meeting will be held with the headteacher.