Twin Oaks Primary School

The school where everyone is valued and all succeed.

Uniform Policy

Governing Body with Responsibility	Full Governing Body
Agreed by Governors on	November 2025
Chair's Signature	Gavin Kennedy
Staff Member Responsible for Review	SBM
Date for Review	November 2027

1. 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 shirts tucked into their skirts or trousers/shorts, and to take a pride in their personal appearance. Some items of uniform can be bought from our online supplier, whilst others are easily available, at very competitive prices, at local shops, including supermarkets. A complete list of the items needed for school uniform including those for Physical Education, is printed overleaf.

1.1 Aims and objectives

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

- identifies the children with the school;
- instils a sense of pride in themselves and the school;
- engenders a feeling of community and belonging;
- is practical, smart and good value for money;
- makes children feel equal to their peers in terms of appearance;
- has been designed with health and safety in mind

1.2 Jewellery, Hair Ornaments, Make-up and Nail Varnish

For health and safety reasons we do not allow children to wear jewellery. The exceptions to this rule are earring studs in pierced ears, and small objects of religious significance. Children are required to remove any items during PE lessons to prevent them from causing injury. Please note: Teachers are not permitted to remove earrings. Make up and nail varnish should not be worn to school unless for an out of school hours function, for example a school disco. The use of styling products should be kept to a minimum.

1.3 Footwear

For health and safety reasons we do not allow children to wear shoes with platform soles or high heels. All children are required to wear plain black shoes or trainers without logos as stated in the uniform list.

2. 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. If a parent has difficulties for any reason with fulfilling this request they are asked to speak confidentially to a senior member of staff to discuss the issues. Parents should be assured that we will do all we can to help. Children who arrive at school wearing non-school uniform clothing may be loaned an appropriate item from our second-hand uniform stock to wear for that day. The same system will apply for children who do not have a PE kit. Parents will be contacted to discuss the matter. The school welcomes children from all backgrounds and faith communities. If there are serious reasons, for example on religious grounds, why parents want their child to wear clothes that differ from the school uniform, the school will consider such requests sympathetically.

3. 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.

4. 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;
- Parents should advise the school if our uniform requirements conflict with their cultural or religious customs in order that alternative arrangements can be made.

5. School Uniform List

School uniform can be bought from any high street retailer or for items with the school logo from our school wear supplier Mapac. Items can be ordered online and either delivered to home for a delivery fee or to school for free on regular delivery dates. Please note that items with the school logo on are not compulsory.

- Plain black or grey skirt/pinafore dress/shorts/trousers or blue and white checked or striped dresses
- White blouse, collared shirt or polo shirts
- Blue jumper or cardigan, with or without the Twin Oaks logo
- Black, navy or grey socks or tights
- Black shoes

Shoes should be flat, black and appropriate for school. Your child should wear shoes which he or she can manage to do up independently. Please do not send your child to school in shoes which prevent them from running in the playground.

6. P.E. Kit

Children need a change of clothes and footwear for P.E (for health and hygiene reasons) and a bag in which to keep the kit at school. PE kit and PE bags may be bought from the school office. All school uniform and P.E. kit MUST be named. Children can become upset as a result of lost clothing, please help us by naming everything.

6.1 Girls and boys wear:

- shorts
- T-shirt
- a pair of plimsolls – Velcro or other similarly easy fastenings are essential for younger children
- jogging bottoms for outdoor lessons in cold weather

For health and safety reasons children are not permitted to wear earrings for PE. Your child's class teacher will advise you when PE lessons take place so that earrings can be removed.

7. Second hand uniform

This is available from the school office (ideally outside the drop off and pick up times) and at PTA events. We accept donations of clean preloved uniform that is in good condition.