



Uniform Policy

Updating Policy Procedure

When a policy is due for review it will be emailed to the reviewer who will revise and highlight those updates and return the policy in full with the highlighted updates back to the Administrator.

When a policy reviewer becomes aware of any updates they will ask the Administrator to email the policy to them and follow the above procedure.

A policy is a statement of intent and the guidelines we follow, that is adopted by the Fortuna and Athena Federation's Governing Body.

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Date ratified at FGM:



Introduction:

We consider the wearing of uniform to be very important. It not only provides our students with an identity, it demonstrates a commitment to the values of the school and ensures a feeling of pride within the school community they attend. Students and parents/carers appreciate our consistent approach.

There is an expectation that all members of the school will strive to look their best. For students this will mean wearing the school uniform correctly when travelling to, from and within the school and when on school trips and visits.

Aims and objectives

Our policy is based on the notion that a school uniform:

- promotes a sense of pride in the school
- engenders a feeling of community and belonging
- is practical and smart
- Identifies the children with the school
- Is not distracting in class (as fashion clothes might be)
- Makes children feel equal to their peers in terms of appearance
- Is regarded as suitable, and good value for money, by the majority of parents and carers

Equality

Our school uniform policy is inclusive and does not discriminate on the basis of gender and sex identity. As such, the school does not stipulate which items of uniform need to be worn by boys or girls. If you would like any advice with regards to this, please contact the School's stonewall champion via the school office.

We are a specialist school with children who have Social, emotion and mental health needs, we as a school have taken in to consideration all types of materials and types of clothing within our uniform to ensure there is such a variance in colours and material to suit any sensory needs that some of our children may have.



Fortuna Primary School

Uniform:

Navy Blue school jumper with Fortuna logo (*Available from school office & Uniform Direct*) or

Plain Navy Blue jumper

Black or Grey tailored trousers (No Jogging Bottoms)

Black or Grey skirt to be worn with Black or Navy tights

Light Blue polo shirt with Fortuna logo (*Available from school office & Uniform Direct*) or

Plain sky Blue polo shirt

Plain Black school shoes (No Trainers)

Summer Uniform Optional:

Grey/Black/Charcoal shorts

Gingham Sky Blue dress, (shorts or Lycra shorts to be worn under dress)

Sun hat

PE kit:

Plain White t shirt

Navy shorts or jogging bottoms

Plimsolls/Trainers (non- marking soles)



Athena Uniform

Years 7, 8 & 9 – All students

Skirt: Black or dark grey, traditional school style, knee length, no stretch fabrics
Trousers: Black or dark grey traditional school style no denim or tracksuit material
Shorts: Black or Dark grey shorts can be worn; these must be a tailored school shorts
Polo Shirt: Athena logo, light grey – **purchased from school**
Sweatshirt: Athena logo 'V' neck teal coloured – **purchased from school**
Shoes: Black, Plain, Safe and flat shoes no trainers
Socks: Grey or Black with trousers. Grey, black or white with skirt
Tights: Black or dark grey full tights

PE Uniform:

Tracksuit/Jogging bottoms Black or Grey non-branded
Polo shirt - Athena Teal PE polo shirt - **purchased from school**
Hoodie – Athena logo hoodie - **purchased from school**
Trainers

Years 10 & 11 – All students

Skirt: Black or dark grey, traditional school style, knee length, no stretch fabrics
Trousers: Black or dark grey traditional school style no denim or tracksuit material
Shirt: White plain short or long sleeved shirt
School Tie: Athena Logo tie – **purchased from school**
Blazer: Black with Athena logo and teal trim – **purchased from school**
Shoes: Black, Plain, Safe and flat shoes no trainers
Socks: Grey or Black with trousers, Grey, black or white with skirt
Tights: Black or dark grey

PE Uniform:

Tracksuit/Jogging bottoms Black or Grey non-branded
Polo shirt - Athena Teal PE polo shirt – **purchased from school**
Hoodie – Athena logo hoodie - **purchased from school**
Trainers

Extremes of weather

We take a common sense approach in terms of extreme weather, pupils can bring boots in to wear in winter and change in to their school shoes or slippers. In summer, children will not have to wear the jumper and can wear shorts.

We do ensure we have a stock of coats, hats, gloves and scarves in school if pupils require these.

Jewellery

On health and safety grounds, we do not allow children to wear jewellery in our school with the exception of small studs, which should be removed or covered for PE.

Any other jewellery requests must be discussed with the head of school and agreed.

In addition

Makeup, nail polish/nail length and hair colour/styles, can be discussed with the head of school and agreed/negotiated if the pupil is consistently adhering to the school uniform policy. This is to promote pupil's individuality.

We allow children to bring slippers in to school, that can be worn in the classroom and indoor school areas for comfort.



The role of parents and carers

We ask all parents and carers who send their children to our school to support the school uniform policy. We believe that parents and carers have a duty to send their children to school correctly dressed and ready for their daily schoolwork. Parents and carers should ensure that their child has the correct uniform, and that it is clean and in good repair. Should the parent/carer need financial support with uniform please advise the school who will be happy to signpost or offer support where possible.

The role of governors

The governing body supports the head of school in implementing the school uniform policy and liaises with the head of school to ensure that the policy is implemented fairly and with sensitivity. It is the governors' responsibility to ensure that the school uniform meets national regulations concerning equal opportunities, and that our school uniform policy is consistent with our policy on equal opportunities.

Governors ensure that the school uniform policy helps children to dress sensibly, in clothing that is hardwearing, safe and practical.

COVID guidance from September 2022 - On the pupil's class allocated PE day, pupils must come into school wearing their PE kits and will remain in them for the day. No change of clothing is to be brought in to school.

No bags or personal equipment is to be brought in to school unless agreed by the Senior Management team.

Children will have their own-labelled water bottles and writing equipment provided by and kept in school.

Linked Policies:

Admissions policy