



UNIFORM & APPEARANCE POLICY

Our Mission

At St. Anne's we aim to be a caring Christian school, within the community where everyone is respected and valued. To be a school where all individuals are encouraged to build on their strengths and aspire to be the best they can be.

Our Vision

Our vision has the promise by Jesus of 'life in all its fullness at its heart. At St Anne's we believe:

- in our children and each other,
- we are uniquely created in the image of God,
- we were made to be awesome,
- that together we are family,
- we were created to live in community,
- in equipping the St Anne's family to be the best we can be,
- in our individual talents and abilities, and
- we can make a difference.

Our Values

At St Anne's CE Primary School, the following core values underpin all that we do. They are reflected in the daily life of the school and our relationships with other:

Respect, Thankfulness, Hope, Forgiveness, Love and Faithfulness.

'...let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your father in heaven.' *Matthew 5:16*

'I thank you because I am awesomely made...' *Psalms 139:14*

'...I come that they may have life and have it to the full.' *John 10:10*

AIMS

1. To create a positive environment in which attendance is valued, praised and rewarded.
2. To expect good attendance.
3. To monitor and evaluate individual attendance patterns.
4. To be aware of and sensitive to individual needs and respond to them.
5. To facilitate the recording and reporting to the LEA and the DfE.

At St Anne's Church of England Primary School, we have a duty to safeguard and promote the welfare of our pupils.

Our school uniform is important to us. It is one way in which we identify ourselves as a school family, and it promotes a strong, cohesive school identity which supports high standards and expectations in all areas of school life. It also enhances security, assisting the school to identify individual pupils in order to maintain good order and recognise visitors/intruders more easily.

We believe that smartness and high standards of appearance demonstrate pride and respect towards our school, and therefore we expect this at all times.

At St Anne's we believe that a school uniform is important because it:

- ❖ Contributes to a sense of belonging
- ❖ Gives a common purpose
- ❖ Fosters a feeling of pride
- ❖ Reduces 'fashion competition' between children
- ❖ Wears well
- ❖ Looks smart

All children should wear the uniform and we encourage them to maintain an acceptable standard of clean and tidy dress in school.

Our uniform is readily available and inexpensive.

Our School Uniform

Boys

- Grey trousers
- White polo shirt/ cotton shirt
- Dark green sweatshirt/ jumper
- Sensible, flat, black shoes.

Girls

- Grey skirt, pinafore or trousers
- White polo shirt/ cotton shirt
- Dark green sweatshirt / jumper/ cardigan
- Green / white checked dress in summer
- Sensible, flat, black shoes (fashion shoes are not considered appropriate)

- Any hair bands, ribbons or bobbles should be in school colours and a sensible size.
- Black shoes (**no** slip-on's, heels, trainers or open-toe sandals **please**)
- Plain black, grey or white socks/tights

*We would ask parents to please ensure that all uniform is clearly, permanently **labelled**, as items are easily mislaid.*

Stockists

- Polo shirts, sweatshirts, cardigans and coats with the school logo on are available from Ann's, Bacup, at very reasonable prices. Sweatshirts in the same colours are also available for the Nursery children.
- Great value uniform items can be bought from the major supermarket chains.

Outdoor clothing

- Children should bring a coat to school each day, apart from during the hotter weather (the weather here can rapidly change and children need to stay warm and dry for outdoors learning).

PE/Games kit

- For health & safety reasons it is essential that children are dressed suitably for any physical activity.
- Pair of pumps / Black shorts / White T-shirt.

It is essential that each child has a PE kit for wearing during PE lessons. Trainers are not acceptable for indoor work but are ideal for outdoor lessons. Junior children also need jogging/track-suit bottoms and a jumper for outdoor P.E. lessons.

In the juniors different classes go swimming throughout the year.

Swimming

- One-piece costumes are required for the girls and suitable trunks for the boys – **long swim shorts are not allowed by the pool staff!!**
- Each child also needs a towel.
- Long hair is expected to be tied back and swimming caps to be worn.

Fashion items/jewellery/other

We believe that fashion items are best kept for home, for reasons such as health, safety and inclusion.

- Only very plain studs for pierced ears are allowed (although school prefers earrings **NOT** to be worn).
- We would prefer children not to have their ears pierced during term time - for juniors, this means missing about six weeks of swimming.
- A plain wristwatch is allowed.
- For safety reasons other jewellery is not allowed and may be confiscated but we can't accept responsibility for its safekeeping.
- No make-up, nail polish or hair gel.

- Long hair should be tied back with plain, simple accessories.
- Sunhats are encouraged during sunny weather to protect your child.

Role of Staff

- To set a good example in terms of dress.
- To encourage pupils to dress according to school policy.
- To send reminders home wherever a child is not following the school's uniform policy.

Role of Parents/Carers

- To ensure that their child/children understands and follows the school policy.

Role of Headteacher & Governing Body

- To ensure that pupils follow the school policy.
- Respond accordingly to any grievance with regards to the policy.
- Follow DFE guidelines and not consider exclusion from the school where a pupil does not follow the school policy, unless on the grounds of health & safety.

Equal Opportunities

All children have equal access to wearing school uniform regardless of their culture, race, religion, gender, disability or ability. We ensure that the set uniform respects other policies such as Race Equality and Gender Discrimination.

St Anne's Church of England Primary School is committed to equality for all and to creating a positive climate that will enable everyone to work in an environment that allows them to achieve their full potential.