ASTON ON TRENT PRIMARY SCHOOL

DRESS CODE

Approved by Governors on 27 September 2021

This policy has been impact assessed in the light of all other school policies, including the Disability Equality Scheme.

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ASTON-ON-TRENT PRIMARY SCHOOL 'Achieving Success For All!'

POLICY FOR DRESS CODE

1. INTRODUCTION

This Policy has been drawn up in consultation with Parents, Staff and Governors and sets out the dress code which it expects all children and parents to observe. It is hoped that the dress code will promote a positive image, a corporate identity, a sense of pride in the school and goodwill in the community.

2. <u>DRESS CODE – DAILY USE</u>

In order that children are dressed appropriately for learning at school the following dress code should be followed:

- School royal blue sweatshirt/fleece
- School polo shirt or light blue/white shirt/blouse
- Plain black or grey coloured trousers or shorts for boys or girls (Note: No Jeans)
- Plain black or grey coloured skirt/pinafore or pale blue and white summer dress
- Sensible, black shoes (no trainers)
- If hair is longer than shoulder length it must be tied back
- Jewellery such as necklaces, rings and bracelets are not to be worn.
- Earrings (studs or sleepers only).
- Smart watches with recording and messaging functionality are not to be worn.
- No nail varnish, make-up or fashion accessories to be worn.

3. <u>DRESS CODE – PE/GAMES LESSONS</u>

All children are expected to take part in PE/Games lessons unless the school is advised otherwise.

3.1 Dress for Indoor Sessions

- Plain white t-shirt/polo shirt
- Black or Navy Shorts close fitting but not cycle shorts
- Pumps/lightweight trainers not training boots
- Change of socks if pumps are worn
- Children work barefoot in dance and gym unless valid reasons are given for wearing appropriate footwear.
- No jewellery/watches/exercise monitors to be worn

3.2 <u>Dress for Outdoor Sessions</u>

- T-shirt/polo shirt with jumper when cold— sweatshirt or tracksuit top in blue or black/jumper when cold
- Close fitting black or navy shorts
- Black tracksuit bottoms/leggings when cold
- Pumps/trainers and/or football boots for activities on the field as Appropriate
- Socks

No jewellery/watches/exercise monitors to be worn

3.3 Dress code for Swimming Lessons

- No jewellery/watches/exercise monitors to be worn
- Boys to wear trunks and not baggy shorts or cycle shorts
- Girls to wear full costumes and not bikinis

3.4 Naming of School Clothing

Please ensure all school clothing (including PE/Games Kit) is labelled with the child's name

4. **EARRINGS/JEWELLERY/HAIR BEADS**

Following recent LA guidelines for Health and Safety and Risk Assessments, children will not be allowed to wear either studs or sleepers for PE, Games and Swimming, or to wear plasters covering them. Watches also need to be removed during PE, Games and Swimming. This is because of risk of potential injury to the wearer or to others taking part in the same activity. School staff will not be expected to remove or replace studs or sleepers. It is, therefore, recommended that if a child is to have their ears pierced, then it should be done at the beginning of the Summer holidays in order to allow children to safely remove their own earrings when they return to school for the new school year.

Also, following LA guidelines, the wearing of hair beads to school will not be allowed because of a risk of potential injury to the wearer or others.

For reasons of possible loss or damage, the school will not be responsible for children wearing expensive jewellery or watches.

5. EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES

A child will not be excluded from school, nor should a child and/or his or her parents suffer any adverse consequences on account of the child not observing the dress code. No pupil will be disciplined for not complying with the school uniform policy because of their particular cultural, race or religious dress code.

Similarly, failure to agree to observe the dress code by parents seeking admission to the school is not a reason for the Governors and/or Headteacher not admitting a child into the school.

The Headteacher, who is responsible for implementing this Policy, should make enquiries where a child persistently fails to observe the dress code, providing practical help and advice to the child and his/her parents in order to resolve the situation. The Headteacher should not normally be expected to take any disciplinary action against a child not observing the dress code.

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