

## **UNIFORM AND APPEARANCE POLICY**

### **RATIONALE**

We actively encourage children to wear school uniform as we wish to encourage the children to take a pride in their appearance and to engender a smart positive image of the school. We welcome and recommend clothes for independent dressing.

### **SCHOOL EXPECTATION**

The school has adopted purple and grey as the uniform colours.

The uniform is as follows: -

- **grey tailored trousers or grey skirt/pinafore**
- **white or purple polo shirt (school logo or plain)**
- **school logo or plain purple sweatshirt/cardigan**
- **grey, white or purple tights**
- **grey, white or purple socks**
- **purple checked dress (Autumn Term 1 and Summer Terms)**
- **grey tailored shorts (Autumn Term 1 and Summer Terms)**

We also encourage children to bring in a pair of wellies, waterproof trousers and jacket so that they can access the outdoors for learning.

### **All clothing needs to be clearly labelled with your child's name**

As a school which is sensitive to the needs of all cultures, races and religion, children are permitted to wear head coverings where their religion requires, however these must reflect the school colours by being black, grey or purple.

For reasons of safety, sensible **black shoes, with fastenings**, should be worn. Children should wear proper shoes – trainers are not suitable for wearing all day.

High heels, platform soles, slip-ons and flip-flop style shoes/boots are not safe and should not be worn at school.

Sandals may be worn but they must be a plain design and securely fitted to feet. For safety and hygiene reasons, socks must be worn with shoes and sandals.

For the winter, plain, flat black boots (with no fancy decoration) which resemble a school shoe may be worn in school when we return in Term 2, after autumn half term, until the end of Term 3. Multi coloured boots, 'doc martins', biker boots, 'UGG style' or other fashion boots are not permitted.

***NB children whose footwear is deemed unsuitable/unsafe by the Head Teacher will be asked to wear plimsolls for the day.***

## **PE Kit**

For hygiene reasons children should always change into different clothes for PE.

For **indoor PE** lessons your child will need plain black shorts and a plain white or purple T-shirt. Trainers are not worn for indoor work for reasons of safety. However, if your child has a verruca or athlete's foot, please inform us and provide plimsolls.

For **outdoor PE** lessons your child will need plain black shorts and a logoed or plain purple or white T-shirt. Suitable footwear will be required i.e. plimsolls, trainers. For work on the field, stronger footwear may be needed, but football boots are not essential. During the winter months, a plain black tracksuit may also be worn.

**All clothing should be clearly labelled with your child's name** and kept in a PE bag, which will hang on a coat peg. PE kit should be brought in on a Monday and taken home on Friday for washing.

**Swimming** – When children swim, a letter is sent home, explaining what is required.

**In the interests of safety**, for PE and swimming lessons, all jewellery must be removed. During PE lessons children will be instructed to put earrings, watches, glasses etc. in the tin in the hall. The school cannot accept liability for any loss.

*NB children should wear glasses for PE lessons according to their optician's direction.*

## **Personal belongings and appearance**

We encourage children to take responsibility for their own property. Your child should bring any money required in a named purse or envelope. **Make-up, including nail varnish is not permitted to be worn in school.**

Although equipment is provided, many children like to bring a pencil case. We ask that large sports bags are not brought to school as they take up too much space in the cloakrooms. The school cannot accept responsibility for loss of personal belongings.

**Jewellery** should not be worn at school, except stud earrings (one pair only) and inexpensive watches.

**Long hair** must be tied back to avoid it falling into eyes while working. Any hair fastening should be brown/black, or purple.

**Extreme hairstyles are not permitted** these include fancy hair accessories, hairstyles that include bleach or colour, shaved heads, tram lines, faux hawks, Mohicans etc.

We encourage the wearing of plain sun hats and sunscreen outside when it is very sunny. *NB Children are responsible for applying their own sunscreen.*

Children should bring coats to school on all but very hot days, and are encouraged to wear hats, gloves and scarves in cold weather, as we endeavour to take children out every day at break times and for their learning.

**Longleaze Primary School logo sweatshirts/cardigans can be purchased or ordered from the school office. Limited stock is held at school. Order forms available inside main Reception.**