



Leigh Uniform Policy



Introduction:

At Leigh Church of England Academy, we pride ourselves in being smart, well presented, and ready for learning. It is our academy 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, shorts, or trousers and to take a pride in their personal appearance. Items of uniform are easily available, at very competitive prices, can be sourced from various places including websites, local suppliers and supermarkets. A complete list of the items needed for school uniform including those for Physical Education, are detailed at the end of this policy.

Aims and objectives:

Our policy on school uniform is based on the belief that we are pleased to wear a uniform that:

- Promotes a sense of pride in our school
- Helps to create a sense of community and belonging towards the school
- Identifies pupils with the school
- Supports the school's commitment to inclusion
- Prevents pupils from wearing 'fashion clothes' that could be distracting in class
- Is practical, smart, and designed with health and safety in mind
- Is considered to be good value for money

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

The only jewellery that is acceptable in school is earring studs in pierced ears. Children are required to remove or cover these during PE lessons to prevent them from causing injury. Hair bands, ribbons/bows or 'scrunchies' must be plain and either green or black. Hair bands/scrunchies should not be over sized or have large attachments. Make up and nail varnish must not be worn to school. Extreme hairstyles are not appropriate for school, children should not have decorative patterns cut into their hair, hair dye/colouring should also not be used. The use of styling products should be kept to a minimum.

The Role of Parents:

We believe that one of the responsibilities of parents who have chosen Leigh C of E academy 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 visibly labelled 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 will be loaned an appropriate item from our lost property to wear for that day if possible. The same system will apply for children who do not have a PE kit. Parents will be contacted to discuss the matter. Uniform Policy 2021-22 Leigh Academy welcomes children from all backgrounds and faith communities. If there are reasons, for example on religious grounds, why parents want their child to wear clothes that differ from the school uniform, the Uniform Policy will consider such requests sympathetically. If any parent would like to request an exception to the uniform policy they should, in the first instance, contact the Head Teacher and then the Academy Governance Committee.

The Role of The Academy Governance Committee:

The Academy Governance Committee at Leigh Church of England Academy supports the Head Teacher in implementing the school uniform policy. It considers all representations from parents/carers regarding the uniform policy and liaises with the Head Teacher to ensure that the policy is implemented fairly and with sensitivity. It is the Academy Governance Committee's responsibility to ensure that the school uniform meets all regulations concerning equal Monitoring and Review opportunities. The Academy Governance Committee will



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

Monitoring and Review:

The Academy Governance Committee 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 Head Teacher, any requests from parents for individual children to have special dispensation with regard to school uniform.

School Uniform List:

There is a school uniform at Leigh Church of England Academy consists of:

Winter Uniform

Black skirt
Long Black trousers
Green Leigh Sweatshirt/Cardigan
White shirt and tie
White polo shirt
White or black socks
Black tights

Summer Uniform

Girls:

Green & White Summer dress
White socks

Boys:

White polo shirt
Black shorts
Black socks

All children must wear sensible black shoes

For Nursery, only a green Leigh Sweatshirt or Cardigan is compulsory, a change of clothes is also recommended.

PE KIT FOR ALL CHILDREN (PE kit is optional for Nursery children)

Bottle green t-shirt with Leigh logo
Black hoodie
Black Joggers
Black plimsolls/trainers

PE Kits must be worn on the days of their PE, they do not need to bring in a change of uniform. Children should come to the academy in their PE kit and will go home in their PE kit.

School Uniform providers:

Uniform can be purchased from: -

Cat Ballou, 1-3 The Burges, Coventry, CV1 1HN

02476 555499

sales@catballou.co.uk

www.catballou.co.uk

Brigade

02476 421083

sales@brigade.uk.com

www.bridage.uk.com