



# School Uniform and Appearance Policy



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## **Introduction**

At Trallwng Infants School, we believe that a simple, comfortable school uniform helps create a sense of belonging, equality, and pride in our school community. Our uniform is designed to be practical, affordable, and suitable for active, playful learning. It is our school policy that all pupils are encouraged to wear school uniform when attending school or attending school trips (unless otherwise specified).

## **Aims and Objectives**

Our policy on school uniform is based upon Welsh Government guidelines and follows the notion that our school uniform can help our pupils:

- Feel proud to be part of our school
- Show that everyone belongs, no matter their background
- Dress comfortably so we're ready to learn and play
- Avoid pressure to wear expensive or fashionable clothes
- Help keep everyone safe and easily recognised on and off site
- Reduce teasing or bullying linked to clothing

To achieve these aims, we will:

- Encourage daily wearing of the agreed uniform, with flexibility for individual needs
- Communicate expectations clearly to families and staff
- Promote practical, weather-appropriate clothing that supports active learning
- Monitor uniform positively and inclusively
- Support families with guidance and access to help where needed

## **Our School Uniform**

Our school uniform is as follows:

- White or red polo shirts
- Red jumpers, cardigans or hoodies
- Grey or black shorts, trousers, joggers, skirts or pinafore slips.
- Red and White check summer dresses
- Black shoes or trainers

## **Jewellery**

To help keep everyone safe and avoid loss or damage, we strongly discourage pupils from wearing jewellery to school. Pupils may wear one pair of small stud earrings in the earlobes and a simple watch (smart watches are not permitted). No other piercings or items of jewellery should be worn during the school day.

## **Extreme haircuts and colours, Hair Accessories and Make-up**

At Trallwng Infants School, we encourage pupils to present themselves in a way that supports a calm, focused learning environment. We ask that hairstyles, hair colours, and accessories are kept simple and appropriate for school.



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While we celebrate individuality, we kindly ask families to avoid styles or colours that may cause distraction during the school day. Hair accessories such as scrunchies, bobbles, and headbands are welcome when modest and practical.

Make-up should not be worn to school at any time.

We are committed to being respectful of cultural and religious expressions, and we encourage families to speak with us if they have any specific needs or questions

### **Footwear**

To support safe movement and play, we ask that pupils wear sensible, supportive footwear to school. Shoes with platform soles, high heels, flip flops, or crocs are not permitted, as they can pose a risk during active learning and outdoor play.

### **The Role of Parents/Carers**

All parents and carers are asked to support our school uniform policy by ensuring their child arrives dressed appropriately for learning each day. This includes wearing the correct uniform, kept clean and in good condition, to help children feel confident, comfortable, and ready to engage.

Trallwng Infants School warmly welcomes children from all backgrounds and faith communities. If there are genuine reasons—such as religious beliefs, ALN or medical needs—that require a variation to the uniform, we will consider these requests with understanding and sensitivity. Parents wishing to discuss adaptations to the policy are encouraged to speak with the Headteacher in the first instance.

To help us manage belongings, we ask that all uniform items are clearly labelled with the child's name.

### **Financial Assistance and Welsh Government School Uniform Grant Scheme**

The Welsh Government recognises that some parents face financial hardship from the costs of purchasing school uniforms for their children. The Welsh Government also believes that the financial support parents receive towards the cost of school uniform should not be a barrier to learning.

For those families eligible, there is funding available to support the purchase of school uniforms. Funding of up to £125 is available for each eligible learner.

The Funding is also available to all looked after children of compulsory school age.

Asylum Seeker pupils entering Reception; Year 1, Year 3, Year 5, Year 7, 8, 9, 10 and 11 are entitled to assistance under this Funding if they fulfil the eligibility criteria. We ask local authorities to use their discretion to allow pupils with no recourse to public funds (NRPF) to access the grant. Pupils with NRPF entering the above school years in the 2021 to 2022 academic year are entitled to assistance under this Funding

Parents/Carers requiring help providing a school uniform for their child/children are also encouraged to contact Mrs Peart in our school office. The school promotes the recycling of uniforms which enables parents/carers' access to free uniforms (as available).



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### **Non-compliance with school uniform and appearance policies**

The Headteacher is responsible for ensuring the uniform policy is followed as part of their overall role in maintaining school standards and discipline. Where a pupil is not complying with the policy, the Headteacher will decide on appropriate action, taking into account individual circumstances.

Before any disciplinary steps are considered, families will be given reasonable time to obtain the required items. The school will also share information about any available support from the Local Authority or school itself.

We recognise that non-compliance may be due to reasons beyond a pupil's control—such as lost, damaged, or unavailable clothing, or religious or medical considerations. In such cases, pupils will not be disciplined or sent home.

If a change of clothing is needed and can be made quickly, the Headteacher may ask parents/carers to bring alternative clothing to school or ask that a pupil returns home briefly to change—without this being treated as a formal exclusion. This should only happen when appropriate, and with consideration for the child's age, vulnerability, and family circumstances. Parents or carers will be contacted if necessary, and pupils are expected to return to school promptly.

### **Complaints**

Any concerns or complaints about the school's uniform and appearance policy, including the availability of the uniform or the cost of purchasing the uniform from a particular supplier, will be handled in line with the Governing Body's complaints procedure.

### **The Role of Governors**

The Governing Body works in partnership with the Headteacher to support the fair and consistent implementation of the school uniform policy. It carefully considers any feedback or requests from parents and carers, ensuring that the policy is applied with sensitivity and respect for individual circumstances.

Governors are responsible for ensuring the policy aligns with equal opportunities guidance and reflects the school's commitment to inclusion. They also ensure that the uniform promotes sensible, safe, and practical clothing choices that support children's wellbeing and readiness for learning.

### **Monitoring and review**

The governing body monitors and reviews the school uniform policy by:

- seeking the views of parents, to ensure that they agree with and support the policy;
- considering, with the Headteacher, any requests from parents for individual children to have special dispensation with regard to school uniform;
- requiring the Headteacher to report to the governors on the way the school uniform policy is implemented.