

## Amport CE (Aided) Primary School



## Uniform Policy

COURAGE COMPASSION RESPECT

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### 1. Aims

This policy aims to:

- › Set out our approach to requiring a uniform that is of reasonable cost and offers the best value for money for parents and carers
- › Explain how we will avoid discrimination in line with our legal duties under the Equality Act 2010
- › Clarify our expectations for school uniform

### 2. Our school's legal duties under the Equality Act 2010

The [Equality Act 2010](#) prohibits discrimination against an individual based on the protected characteristics, which include age, sex, sexual orientation, disability, race, religion or belief, pregnancy and maternity, and gender reassignment.

To avoid discrimination, our school will:

- › Avoid listing uniform items based on sex, to give all pupils the opportunity to wear the uniform they feel most comfortable in or that most reflects their self-identified gender
- › Make sure that our uniform costs the same for all pupils
- › Allow all pupils to have long hair (though we reserve the right to ask for this to be tied back)
- › Allow pupils to request changes to swimwear for religious reasons or if they are experiencing discomfort
- › Allow pupils to wear headscarves and/or other religious garments
- › Allow pupils with sensory or physical needs to make reasonable adaptations to their uniform depending on their specific needs
- › Allow for reasonable adaptations to our policy on the grounds of equality by asking pupils or their parents/carers to get in touch with the Headteacher, who can answer questions about the policy and respond to any requests. These will be considered on a case-by-case basis

### 3. Limiting the cost of school uniform

Our school has a duty to make sure that the uniform we require is affordable, in line with statutory [guidance](#) from the Department for Education (DfE) on the cost of school uniform.

We understand that items with distinctive characteristics (such as branded items, or items that need to have a school logo or a unique fabric/colour/design) cannot be purchased from a wide range of retailers and that requiring many such items limits parents/carers' ability to 'shop around' for a low price.

We will make sure our uniform:

- › Is available at a reasonable cost
- › Provides the best value for money for parents/carers

We will do this by:

- › Carefully considering whether any items with distinctive characteristics are necessary
- › Limiting any items with distinctive characteristics where possible
- › Limiting items with distinctive characteristics to low-cost and/or long-lasting items, such as ties
- › Avoiding different uniform requirements for different year/class/house groups
- › Making sure that arrangements are in place for parents/carers to acquire second-hand uniform items
- › Avoiding frequent changes to uniform specifications and minimising the financial impact on parents/carers of any changes
- › Consulting with parents/carers and pupils on any proposed significant changes to the uniform policy and carefully considering any complaints about the policy

## 4. Expectations for school uniform

### 4.1 Our school's uniform

Year R Only	Summer Uniform All children	Winter Uniform All children	All Children
All in one coverall suitable for outdoors	Green and white striped or checked summer Dress	Black or grey pinafore, skirt, school style culottes or school style trousers	Plain coloured coat suitable for weather conditions
Wellington boots	Black or grey shorts or black or grey school style culottes	White polo shirt*, collared white shirt or school style white blouse	PE Kit: Black shorts (sports style or cycling shorts)
Warm outer clothing for outdoor learning	White polo shirt*  Plain white, black or grey socks with no Adornments  Bottle green cardigan or sweatshirt*  Black school shoes (not canvas)  Suitable plain coloured summer hat (no logo other than the school	School tie optional for KS2 but must be worn with collared white shirt or school style white blouse  Bottle green cardigan or sweatshirt*  Black, grey or bottle green tights  Plain white, black or grey socks with no	Plain T shirt or polo shirt in house colour with no logo other than the school logo  Trainers (not plimsolls)  Plain black or navy tracksuit for colder weather  Plain woollen gloves for winter PE are Recommended  Waterproof coat and

	logo)	Adornments  Black school shoes (not canvas)  Plain dark woollen hat (no logo other than the school logo)	trousers
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**\*Items bearing the school crest are available to order. Please see the link on the school website**

**\*\*Ties available to purchase from the school office**

**Valuables** The school will not accept responsibility for the safe keeping of valuables in the school.

**PE Kit** should be brought to school on Mondays and taken home on Fridays for washing please.

**Caps/Hats** Summer caps/hats and winter woolly hats should be plain with no logo other than the school logo

**Scarves/Earmuffs/Snoods** are not allowed to be worn during the school day but may be worn on the journey to and from school.

**Book bags** Children are required to have a satchel style book bag bearing the school crest, available to purchase from stitch and logo

**Thrift Shop** A selection of second-hand uniform is available from the Thrift Shop, run regularly by the PTA. Year reps will have contact details.

**Hair Long hair** must be tied back at all times, including for boys and extreme hair styles are not permitted. Hairbands, scrunchies and hair clips should be plain coloured without adornments. Elaborate or oversized hair accessories are not permitted. Hair braids should be removed before the start of term.

**Jewellery** One pair of plain gold or silver studs may be worn which must be removed or taped during PE. No other jewellery should be worn. This includes friendship bracelets, charity wristbands, temporary tattoos etc.

**Nail varnish** should not be worn to school.

**Watches** should not be worn to school

**Mobile phones are not permitted**

## 4.2 Where to purchase it

Uniform can be purchased from our recommended suppliers or unlogoed uniform can be purchased more widely from supermarkets, charity shops or our thrift shop.

Amport School embroidered and plain uniform can be purchased through Brigade or Stitch-a-logo. The school holds stocks of ties.

## 5. Expectations for our school community

### 5.1 Pupils

Pupils are expected to wear the correct uniform at all times (other than specified non-school uniform days) while:

- On the school premises
- Travelling to and from school
- At out-of-school events or on trips that are organised by the school, or where they are representing the school (if required)

Pupils are also expected to contact the Headteacher if they want to request an amendment to the uniform policy in relation to their protected characteristics.

### 5.2 Parents and carers

Parents and carers are expected to make sure their child has the correct uniform and PE kit, and that every item is:

- Clean
- Clearly labelled with the child's name
- In good condition

Parents/carers are also expected to contact the Headteacher if they want to request an amendment to the uniform policy in relation to:

- Their child's protected characteristics
- The cost of the uniform

Parents/carers are expected to lodge any complaints or objections relating to the school uniform in a timely and reasonable manner.

Disputes about the cost of the school uniform will be:

- Resolved locally
- Dealt with in accordance with our school's complaints policy

The school will work closely with parents/carers to arrive at a mutually acceptable outcome.

### 5.3 Staff

Staff will closely monitor pupils to make sure they are in correct uniform. They will give any pupils and families breaching the uniform policy the opportunity to comply, but will follow up with the headteacher if the situation doesn't improve.

In cases where it is suspected that financial hardship has resulted in a pupil not complying with this uniform policy, staff will take a mindful and considerate approach to resolving the situation.

## 5.4 Governors

The governing board will review this policy and make sure that it:

- › Is appropriate for our school's context
- › Is implemented fairly across the school
- › Takes into account the views of parents/carers and pupils
- › Offers a uniform that is appropriate, practical and safe for all pupils

The board will also make sure that the school's uniform supplier arrangements give the highest priority to cost and value for money, for example by avoiding single supplier contracts and by re-tendering contracts at least every 5 years.

## 6. Monitoring arrangements

This policy will be reviewed annually by the School Leadership Team. At every review, it will be approved by the Resources Committee.

## 7. Links to other policies

This policy is linked to our:

- › Behaviour policy
- › Equality information and objectives statement
- › Anti-bullying policy
- › Complaints policy