# Swainswick CE School Uniform Policy



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**Responsible Person:** 

Governing Body

### Aims and objectives

**Promoting Equality**: School uniforms help reduce the visible differences between students, minimizing peer pressure and reducing the risk of bullying based on appearance, socioeconomic status, or fashion choices.

**Fostering School Identity and Pride**: Uniforms create a sense of belonging, unity, and school pride. They promote the school's identity and help students feel part of a community.

**Encouraging Discipline and Focus**: Uniforms contribute to a structured environment, promoting discipline, routine, and helping students focus on learning rather than clothing choices.

**Enhancing Safety**: Uniforms make it easier to identify students, enhancing security and making it easier for staff to spot outsiders on school premises.

**Reducing Distractions**: By standardizing what students wear, uniforms help eliminate distractions related to fashion trends or inappropriate clothing, allowing students to concentrate on their education.

Promoting Professionalism: Uniforms introduce students to the concept of dressing appropriately for different environments, reinforcing the idea of preparing for future workplace expectations.

**Simplifying Dress Codes**: Uniform policies create clear expectations and reduce disputes or confusion about what is acceptable attire in school.

## Uniform

We expect all of our children to wear our school uniform at all times as it helps to create a sense of identity and community while protecting them from social pressures to dress in a particular way. We are proud of our logo and wearing school uniform helps reinforce our sense of pride in, and belonging to, Swainswick Church School.

The school uniform is NAVY in colour and consists of:

- Navy blue school sweatshirt
- Navy or black trousers or navy shorts
- Navy skirts or tunics
- White or pale blue shirts, blouses, or polo shirts
- Navy polo shirts with school logo
- Blue/white check or striped dress
- Black, brown or blue shoes



School sweatshirts and polo shirts can be purchased online at MyClothing, using the button below.

### Swainswick Primary School (School Uniform) - My Clothing

Second-hand school uniform is available and may be purchased via the Friends of Swainswick School.

### Coats

There are many opportunities at Swainswick for the children to work and play outside. So please can you make sure that they have a warm, named waterproof coat in school each day, even if you drive to school and they don't need to wear one to travel to school.

They will have a peg with their name on in the cloakroom for their coat and PE bag

### PE kit

This needs to be brought into school and kept on your child's peg all the time. It is just taken home for washing at the end of each term. Each child needs :

- Navy shorts
- A polo shirt in your child's house colour (available from MyClothing link above)
- Plimsolls (daps) or trainers
- Navy tracksuit or navy jogging trousers for outside games
- A navy sweatshirt to be kept in the PE bag and only used for PE
- If your child wears tights for school, she will need spare socks in her PE bag too



Embroidered PE bags and T-shirts can also be ordered from MyClothing, using the button above.

In the event of financial hardship, where purchasing uniform or equipment becomes problematic, discreet support may be possible by arrangement with the head teacher. Please contact the school to make an appointment.

#### Jewellery:

We do not allow children to wear jewellery in school. The exceptions to this rule are small, plain, silver or gold studs in pierced ears which are worn entirely at the pupil's own risk. (Studs with diamonds/stones in them are not permitted.) However, for health and safety reasons, studs have to be removed for PE. For this reason, children are therefore advised not to wear earrings.

All children may wear a watch. We ask children to remove watches during PE and games for health and safety reasons.

### Make Up:

Make up and nail varnish are not allowed.

#### Footwear:

The school wants all children to grow into healthy adults. We believe that it is dangerous for children to wear shoes with platform soles or high heels in school, so we do not allow this. Neither do we allow children to wear any kind of boots.

Children are advised to bring in a pair of wellingtons to change into before going onto the field in winter months however, these must then be taken off and switched back to black school schools before lessons resume.