

Uniform Policy – 2022-23

Our uniform policy reflects our values and reinforces our academy's culture of high expectations and academic achievement. All pupils must dress according to the Uniform Policy. Our academy uniform is important to us. It is one way in which we identify ourselves as an academy community and it promotes a strong and cohesive academy identity which supports high standards in all areas of academy life. It promotes harmony between different groups represented in the academy and enhances security.

Items with prices marked can be purchased from the school office. All other items can be purchased readily from supermarkets, high street clothing retailers, or uniform shops.

Nursery

Ark Swift tracksuit trousers and sweatshirt with Ark Swift polo shirt



£7.00



£7.50



£6.00

In warmer weather, children may wear:

Yellow gingham dress Grey shorts with Ark Swift polo shirt



Reception, Key Stage 1 & Key Stage 2

Ark Swift cardigan or sweatshirt



£15.00



£14.00

Grey skirt, grey dress, or grey trousers



White shirt/blouse with Ark Swift tie



£3.00 Reception, Year
1-2 (*elasticated*)
£3.80 Years 3-6

In warmer weather, children may wear:

Yellow gingham dress Grey shorts with white shirt/blouse



Reception, Key Stage 1 & Key Stage 2 – PE Kit

Ark Swift polo shirt



£6.00

Plain black shorts*



£3.75

Plain black tracksuit trousers/leggings



* *Optional to purchase from school. If purchasing from elsewhere, please ensure shorts are plain black*

In colder weather, children may wear the school sweatshirt/cardigan with their PE kit. Other hoodies and sweatshirts are not permitted.

Footwear

Pupils must wear closed-toed, hard-soled, all black plain shoes with a flat sole. Footwear with flashing lights is not appropriate for school. Boots are not allowed. All black or all white closed-toed plimsolls can be worn in the summer (Easter – end of summer term).

Trainers/plimsolls to be worn with the school PE kit.

Footwear guide (for illustrative purposes only)

Acceptable	Unacceptable

General

Outdoor clothing

Children should bring a coat to school each day, apart from during warmer weather.

Bags and belongings

A high visibility bookbag or backpack with the Ark Swift logo is recommended for carrying books, homework, letters, and other materials to and from school.



£5.20



£9.50

Hats, Headscarves or Headwear

Pupils are not allowed to wear hats, headscarves, or any other head covering inside the school building unless it is due to religious or cultural values. Any head covering for religious or cultural values or hair accessories that are worn such as slides, ribbons, bobbles etc. should be simple and in school colours (grey, gold or blue).

Ark Swift branded hijab



£5.50

Hairstyles

Pupils' hair should be neatly groomed and professional at all times. Long hair should be tied back neatly in school colours (grey, gold or blue).

Fingernail Polish or Make-Up

Pupils are not allowed to wear fingernail polish or false nails. Make-up is not allowed.

Jewellery/Accessories

Pupils may not wear any jewellery except for one watch only (no sound effects or games). Pupils are allowed to wear one pair of stud earrings, and they must be worn in the lower ear lobe. All studs must be removed for PE or taped. *Please note that the school will be unable to take any responsibility for any watches or jewellery that are lost.*

Body Piercing and Tattoos

Body piercing is prohibited, with the exception of single, standard ear piercing. No other forms of body piercing will be allowed for any pupil. Pupils are not allowed to have tattoos of any kind on their body.

Naming Clothing and Property

VERY IMPORTANT – Please ensure all clothing and property is clearly marked so that lost articles may be easily traced and returned. The school cannot accept responsibility for loss or damage of pupils' property and valuables.

Lost Property

All mislaid items are placed in the lost property box located in the school office. Please ask the school office if you wish to look through this cupboard. We endeavour to return all named property. All unclaimed lost property is disposed of at the end of term and given to a local children's charity.

Second-hand Uniform

Any unwanted items of uniform may be given to the school office. We plan to run second hand uniform sales where good quality items can be picked up for low cost.

Racial Equality & Equal Opportunities

All children have equal access to wearing school uniform regardless of their culture, race, religion, gender, disability or ability. We ensure that the set uniform respects other policies such as race relations, sex discrimination and allows for individual sets of circumstances of all groups and individuals. Ark Swift Primary Academy is committed to creating a positive climate that will enable everyone to work free from racial intimidation and harassment and to achieve their full potential.