Uniform and Equipment Policy





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Why Do We Have a Uniform at Styal?

We believe that uniform creates a sense of belonging for children. It also fosters a good learning environment. As well as this, uniform can create a shared identity and a common sense of purpose - something that is important to our 'Styal family' ethos.

Let's Keep Costs Low

Uniform can be expensive and so, here at Styal, we strive to help to keep the cost lower for families. Our supplier for logo branded uniform items is Monkhouse (see details below). However, please do not feel obliged to buy logo embossed items. Supermarkets sell uniform items that are good value for money. We regularly sell 'previously loved' uniform too - please check emails and newsletters for dates and ways to do this.

Football and netball kits are provided by school for children taking part in inter-school competitions.

How Can You Help Us?

- All uniform (including trainers) should be labelled with your child's name.
- All children with hair longer than jaw length should tie it back at school.
- Jewellery should be minimal stud earrings only please. A watch is also acceptable.
- Wear small, simple headbands, hair bows and ribbons preferably in the school colours. Children wearing accessories which school considers to be beyond this description, will be asked to remove them.
- Children should not wear nail varnish, makeup or false nails.
- Children will require a book bag. Please keep these as small as possible as we have limited space in our cloakrooms.

KS1 Uniform

- Green sweatshirt/cardigan
- White polo shirt
- Dark grey school trousers/shorts/skirt
- Green and white gingham dresses in the summer
- Black sensible shoes (no trainers). All shoes need to be sturdy, ideally a full shoe (velcro or buckle) as the children wear their shoes for the Styal Daily Mile
- Plain grey, black or green tights OR plain grey, white or black socks

KS2 Uniform

- Green jumper or cardigan
- White shirt
- School tie
- Dark grey school trousers/shorts/skirt
- Green and white gingham dresses in the summer
- Black sensible shoes (no trainers). All shoes need to be sturdy ideally a full shoe (velcro, buckle, laces) as the children wear their shoes for the Styal Daily Mile
- Plain grey, black or green tights OR plain grey, white or black socks

PE Kit for KS1 and KS2

On PE day, children are asked to come to school wearing their kit.

Earrings should be studs and must be covered with plasters during PE or preferably removed in line with advice from the Association for PE. (It is important to note that earrings must be removed when going swimming with school in KS2. This is the policy of the leisure centre).

- Yellow t-shirt
- Black shorts
- Trainers (for outdoor PE)
- Plain black full tracksuit for colder months

What to wear for Forest School

PE kits should be worn on a Forest School day - please see list above. However, due to the nature of the environment, we advise that children wear long joggers/leggings to protect the skin from branches and scratches and wear wellies or boots. We have waterproof trousers and coats to fit all sizes which can be worn at any time. In the colder months, children can wear hats and gloves.

Water Bottles

It is highly recommended that children have a good intake of water wach day as it helps the brain and aids learning. Fizzy pop and energy drinks should not be brought into school.

Play Equipment

Children should not bring their own footballs, small balls, bouncy balls, skipping ropes or other play equipment to school.

High Value Items

Children should not bring high valuable or dangerous items into school eg IPads. School takes no responsibility for items that are stolen, lost or damaged if they have been brought into school without school's permission.

Mobile Phones

Children in Year 5 / 6 may bring in a mobile phone but families are required to complete a 'Mobile Phone Permission Form'.

- Children will not have access to phones during the school day or at events such as POS discos
- Phones will be stored in a secure locker at the start of the day and released at the end of the day.
- Phones should be switched off before coming into the school grounds
- Phones should not be switched on again at the end of the day until the child has left the school grounds.

Harmful Items

Children should not bring items into school that may be harmful to others eg. knives, scissors, lighters, cigarettes, drugs. Prohibited items will be confiscated and kept in a secure place until they can be returned to a parent / carer. School cannot be held responsible for loss or damage to any items, including those that are confiscated.

Supervision of Children

Children should be supervised by parents / carers / guardians at all times before and after school. School is only responsible for the safety of children once the doors are open and children enter the building.

Our main supplier for uniform and book bags is:

Monkhouse 0161 476 7208 sales@monkhouse.com

Orders are taken throughout the year.

Letter to Parents

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| Dear parents of | | | | |

Incorrect school uniform reminder

It has been noted that your child has not come to school in the correct uniform. Please can this be rectified as soon as possible.

We believe that uniform creates a sense of belonging for children and can create a shared identity and a common sense of purpose - something that is important to our 'Styal family' ethos.

As a school, we work hard to keep our uniform as accessible and low cost as possible. If your child is not able to wear the correct uniform for any reason, please email the office on admin2@styal.cheshire.sch.uk because we are here to help.

Please find details of our school uniform on the website under the 'Office' tab.

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