

Stone Church of England Combined School



Uniform Policy

This policy was adopted: Autumn 2022

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Introduction

At Stone, we aim to provide a happy, safe and secure environment for pupils, staff and visitors. At the heart of our uniform policy is our vision which is rooted in Christian values:

'Love one another as I have loved you' (John 13: 34-35) helping each other to reach for the stars.

We believe that promoting pride, equality and self-esteem encourages all children to full our vision that every child will reach their full potential.

It is our school policy that all children wear the correct school uniform when attending school or when participating in a school-organised event outside normal school hours. All items of clothing should have your child's name on them.

School uniform:

- is practical and smart, suitable and hard-wearing clothing for school
- makes children feel equal to their peers in terms of appearance
- identifies the children with the school and creates a sense of community and belonging
- establishes high expectations and promotes pride
- is considered good value for money and complies with the latest guidance in law (2021):

Parents have a duty to send their children to school correctly dressed and ready for the full range of daily schoolwork in line with our home-school agreement. All children are expected to wear the correct uniform, clean and in good repair. If there are serious reasons for parents to request that their child needs to wear clothing that differ much from the school uniform, due to e.g. faith requirements or a special need, then this can be presented in writing and will be taken into consideration.

Costs

School-branded wear is available for Stone School however, in order to avoid uniform contributing to financial hardship, this is not a requirement and unbranded items are very acceptable.

We aim to support those for whom some uniform costs might be challenging, through provision of good quality preloved clothing and some use of our Pupil Premium funding for those eligible.

In order to reduce likelihood of loss of everyday uniform and expensive items like coats, bags, footwear, we ask that:

- ALL items of clothing, PE kit, bags etc. MUST be clearly named, with a suitable pen and checked from time-to-time to ensure the name is still visible.
- Parents must not feel any need to buy very expensive clothing; our children look very smart in clothing that is not costly, but is of hard-wearing quality.

What to Wear at Stone CE Combined School:

The following required items are required:

- a bright red sweatshirt, jumper or cardigan (with or without school crest)
- white polo shirt, shirt or blouse
- grey trousers, grey shorts, grey skirt or grey pinafore dress
- grey or white socks or plain grey tights
- a waterproof jacket or warm coat (depending on the time of year)
- a sunhat – any colour (in summer months)



Optional

- red and white checked/striped dress (during warmer months)
- a red fleece (for colder months – no hoods)

Hair

- It is a requirement that hair that is long enough should be tied back with a small red/white subtle hair band. A subtle Alice hair band or clip may also be worn. (If a hair accessory is worn that is considered inappropriate for school, the child will be asked to remove it).

Required footwear

- black shoes/black trainers
- Wellington boots (should be kept at school)

Shoes should be black and sensible – no raised heels. Velcro fastenings are ideal for the younger children.

Jewellery

Jewellery is not permitted except for one small, subtle pair of stud earrings in the earlobe which are no bigger than the lobe.

Uniform for Physical Education:

Class R: Children should bring their PE kit to school in a drawstring bag. This will be kept in school and sent home each half term for washing.

Year 1 -6: Children should wear their PE kit to school on PE days.

The following are the required items for all year groups:

- plain red T-shirt
- plain black shorts (no logos/stripes etc)
- black/white trainers/black plimsolls

Optional, but recommended for colder months:

- plain black tracksuit bottoms (no logos)
- a red fleece or red sweatshirt (no hoods)

Class 5 Swimming Kit

Children in Year 5 require:

- a swimming costume or trunks (no bikinis, long shorts or T Shirts)
- hat
- towel.

Jewellery, including earrings, is not permitted.



Other optional items:

Stone CE Combined School Book Bag

Stone CE Combined School PE Bag

Stone CE Combined School Rucksack

Where to purchase uniform:

All uniform may be purchased from any supplier of your choice – some supermarkets and retail stores offer good value for money.

Many of these items are also available with the school logo from Bucks School Wear Plus (optional): Unit 11, Vale Industrial Estate, Southern Road, Aylesbury, HP19 9EW. <https://bucksschoolwearplus.co.uk/>

Phone: 01296 422120

Second hand uniform:

The PTA regularly host sales of good quality second hand uniform. You can enquire at any time if you would like to purchase any item of uniform. Please email the school office to check for availability and prices.

