



SHAP ENDOWED CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY

Uniform Policy

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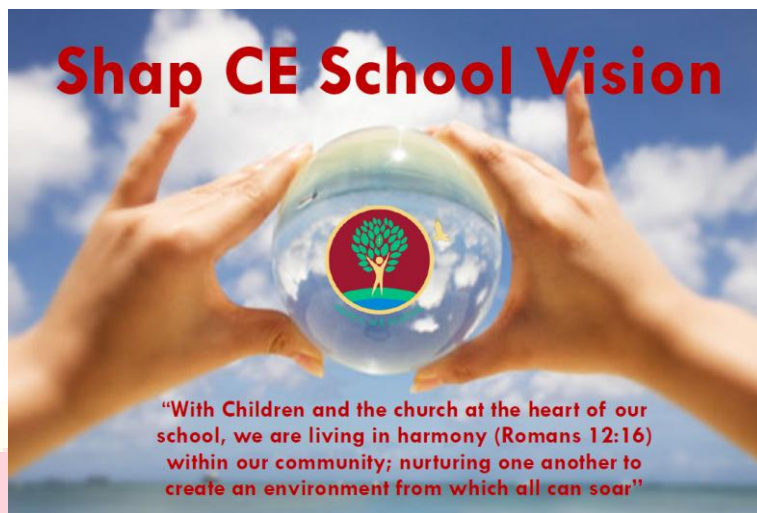
REVIEW SHEET

The information in the table below details earlier versions of this document with a brief description of each review and how to distinguish amendments made since the previous version date (if any).

Version Number	Version Description	Date of Revision
1	Original	May 2022
2	Hair decorations Ability to tie shoe laces Introduction of letters to send home, if children are not wearing the correct uniform PE kits to be in school everyday School Council Pass Down Days	Spring 2024
3	'Sharing Shed' rather than School Council Pass Down Days Photos of the uniform and the 'Sharing Shed' Personal Items: Bags, Water Bottle and Pencil Cases	January 2025
4	Full review and redraft to improve clarity, update procedures, strengthen inclusive language and reflect current practice including Sharing Shed and poverty-proofing measures.	March 2026



SHAP C of E SCHOOL



Introduction

At Shap CE Primary School, we pride ourselves on being smart, comfortable and ready for learning. It is our policy that all children wear school uniform while attending school and when participating in school-organised events outside normal school hours. We encourage all children to take pride in their personal appearance.

Some items of uniform can be purchased from Sam Scott's of Penrith (01768 866961) <https://samscotts.co.uk/collections/shap-uniform>

These items are already embroidered with the school logo and can be tried on for size. Other items are widely available at competitive prices from local shops and supermarkets.

As a school, we are committed to reducing, reusing and recycling. Our 'Sharing Shed' provides continuous access to donated uniform. Families are welcome to browse and take items as needed, offering a small donation if they are able. Donated items must be in clean, good or excellent condition. School Council members help organise and maintain this resource.

This policy has been written in consultation with School Council members, the Governors' Educational Standards Committee and the school staff team.

Aims and Objectives:

Our uniform policy is based on the belief that wearing a school uniform:

- Promotes a sense of pride in our school
- Creates a sense of harmony, belonging and community
- Identifies pupils as members of our school
- Supports our vision of inclusion
- Is practical, safe and designed with health and safety in mind

- Reduces social pressure linked to fashion trends
- Represents good value for money for families
- Is considered to be good value for money

Jewellery, hair ornaments, make-up and nail varnish

For health and safety reasons, children should not wear jewellery in school. The only exceptions are:

- One pair of small stud earrings
- A wristwatch

Earrings and watches must be removed for PE lessons. Staff are not permitted to remove or replace earrings. If a child cannot remove their earrings independently, they must be removed at home on PE days.

Long hair should be tied back using plain hair bands, ribbons or bows. Hairstyles should be appropriate for a primary school setting and must not include shaved patterns, unnatural colours or styles that compromise safety.

Make-up and nail varnish should not be worn.

Footwear

For health and safety reasons, children must wear:

- Plain black school shoes or boots without logos (leather or leather-look material)

Platform soles or high heels are not permitted.

If shoes or boots have laces, children must be able to tie them independently.

Due to our regular outdoor learning, all children must have a named pair of wellington boots kept under or on their peg.

The Role of Parents and Carers

Parents and carers are responsible for ensuring that their child:

- Wears the correct school uniform and PE kit
- Has clothing that is clean and in good condition
- Has all items clearly labelled with their name

If a parent or carer experiences difficulty providing uniform, they are encouraged to speak confidentially to the class teacher or headteacher. We are committed to supporting families wherever possible.

If a child arrives wearing incorrect uniform, appropriate items will be loaned for the day where possible. Parents will be contacted to ensure the correct uniform is available moving forward. Where concerns continue, a member of staff will discuss the matter with parents to resolve any difficulties. Where incorrect uniform continues, the school will follow up with written communication and, if necessary, a meeting to resolve any ongoing concerns.

Our school welcomes children from all backgrounds and faith communities. Requests for reasonable adjustments to the uniform policy on religious or medical grounds will be considered sensitively. Parents should contact the headteacher in the first instance.

The Role of the Governors

The governing body supports the headteacher in implementing the uniform policy fairly and consistently.

Governors:

- Consider representations from parents
- Monitor equality and fairness in implementation
- Ensure the policy supports children to dress safely, practically and comfortably

Monitoring and Reviewing

The governing body reviews this policy through the Educational Standards Committee by:

- Seeking the views of pupils (School Council), staff and parents
- Considering any requests for exemption
- Ensuring the policy continues to reflect inclusion, value for money and safety

School Uniform Requirements (Reception – Year 6)

Children are required to wear:

- Maroon sweatshirt, cardigan or fleece (not hoodies) embroidered with the school logo (new or previous logo) *
- Maroon or white polo shirt, with or without school logo *
- Grey or black school trousers or school shorts
- Grey or black pinafore dress or skirt
- Maroon or red checked summer dress

- Black, white or grey socks; black or grey tights
- Plain black school shoes or boots

All dresses, skirts and shorts should be of an appropriate length to allow children to sit comfortably on the floor.



P.E. Kit List

Children must have a change of clothes for PE (including socks and footwear) kept in a drawstring bag or rucksack on their peg throughout the week.

Required PE kit:

- Maroon shorts *
- White t-shirt or polo shirt, with or without logo *
- Maroon hoodie or fleece, with or without logo *
- Maroon jogging bottoms or leggings for outdoor PE in colder weather *
- Trainers that children can fasten independently



Nursery Uniform (Optional)

Nursery children may wear:

- Yellow or purple sweatshirt, with or without logo *
- Yellow or purple polo shirt, with or without logo *
- Jogging bottoms or leggings that are easy to pull up and down



Items marked * are available from Sam Scott's of Penrith (01768 866961)
<https://samscotts.co.uk/collections/shap-uniform>

Uniform items are also available through our Sharing Shed for a small donation where families are able to contribute.



Personal Items

Bags

Children in Catbells are provided with a school book bag.

From Blencathra onwards, children may continue using a book bag or bring a suitably sized rucksack that can hold reading books and a water bottle.

Water bottles

To support our commitment to poverty-proofing and equality, each child is provided with a school water bottle.

Children must use the school-issued bottle during school hours. Replacement bottles are available from the school office for £2 if lost or damaged.

Pencil Cases and Stationery

As part of our poverty-proofing approach, children should not bring pencil cases or stationery from home.

In Catbells and Kidsty Pike, stationery is available within the classroom environment. In Blencathra and Helvellyn, each child is provided with a school-issued pencil case containing all required equipment. Lost or damaged items will be replaced by the school.

This ensures all children have equal access to the resources they need to succeed.

The logo for SHAP C of E SCHOOL is a circular emblem. It features a central figure of a person with arms raised, holding a cross, set against a background of a tree with many leaves. The entire emblem is surrounded by a yellow border. The text 'SHAP C of E SCHOOL' is written in a light blue, sans-serif font along the bottom arc of the circle.

Appendix A

School Uniform Reminder

To the parent / carer of

We have noticed that your child has not brought / worn the following required item(s):

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These items are part of our school expectations and help ensure children are ready, safe and comfortable for learning each day. We would appreciate your support in making sure your child has the correct items moving forward.

If you are experiencing any difficulty in providing these items, please contact your child's class teacher or the school office in confidence. We are very happy to help and can provide support, including access to our Sharing Shed where appropriate.

For further information, please see our school policies on the website:

<https://www.shap.cumbria.sch.uk/uniform-information/>



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