



Staffordshire University Academy Trust		St. Edward's CE Academy, Cheddleton Uniform Policy				
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Why should children at SEAC wear our school uniform?

At SEAC, we believe that wearing the correct school uniform is an essential part of our school life as;

- It can play a valuable role in contributing to the ethos of a school and setting an appropriate tone (DfE)
- It instils a sense of pride and belonging within our wider community
- It is inclusive and makes children feel equal to their peers in terms of appearance and thus helps to support positive behaviour
- It is both practical and smart

For these reasons, we expect that the correct school uniform is worn by all children at all times.

What does our school uniform consist of?

- *Our Academy will provide protective/waterproof clothing for all children to use in school. This is worn over the top of school uniform/PE kit/coat as appropriate.*
- *Our Academy will provide all children with a water bottle that is kept in school (washed and filled) so that children can access them during lesson time.*
- *Our Academy will provide all children with a SEAC book bag if they access our nursery provision.*

Please note: The exceptions below are applicable until further notice

In line with COVID 19 guidance, school is kept well ventilated. The heating is on, as appropriate, and the windows are open) Children may wear a **plain** black, grey or burgundy fleece in addition to (and not instead of) their school sweatshirt/cardigan. Children will also be permitted to wear their PE sweatshirt on top of their uniform.

Rainbow socks and headwear accessories are also permitted.

Whole school	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • School wellies (to be kept in school, but may be worn to and from school in bad weather) • School book bag (provided by PTFA for our new to school children) • Sun hat (after Easter onwards) • All day / once a day sun cream (applied before school)
PE Kit for ALL (to be kept in school)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>School</u> PE bag (<u>non-stringed</u>) • Round neck white t-shirt • Black shorts • Spare socks • Trainers • Black round neck sweatshirt <u>with school logo</u> • Non-branded black tracksuit bottoms

Early Years	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • White <u>polo shirt</u> • Burgundy <u>V neck</u> sweatshirt / cardigan with school logo • Grey trousers / shorts / skirt / skorts / pinafore • <u>Grey</u> socks or tights (weather dependent) • Burgundy red and white sun dress / skort dress <u>with white socks</u> (April to the end of July only) • Sensible black school shoes all year or flat, plain black boots in the winter months (no trainers or sandals)
Key Stage 1 & 2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • White shirt and School tie • Burgundy <u>V neck</u> sweatshirt / cardigan with school logo • Grey trousers / shorts / skirt / skorts / pinafore • <u>Grey</u> socks or tights • Sensible black school shoes all year or flat, plain black boots in the winter months (no trainers or sandals) • Burgundy red and white sun dress / skort dress with white socks (April to the end of July only)

All items of school uniform must be clearly labelled with the child's name.

Additional Guidance

Bookbags and PE bags are available from the school office.

All other items of uniform will be available directly from Supersports Limited, Hope Silk Mill, Macclesfield Road, Leek.

Watches

- Children may wear a sensible analogue watch to school (no character watches).
- Children may wear watches that count steps, as well as the time. Watches that take photographs or are GPS/cellular enabled are not permitted.

Please note: Although permitted, we would not recommend that children in the Early Years wear a watch of any kind.

Earrings

- For safety reasons, earrings in the Early Years are not allowed.
- If earrings are worn in KS1/KS2, they must be small gold or silver studs.
- In the interest of safety, children who are participating in physical activities must not wear earrings.
- We encourage children with pierced ears in KS1 and KS2 to leave earrings at home on school days so that they can enjoy all physical/active learning experiences in school.
- Staff will not be responsible for the removal, insertion or storage of earrings.
- **With written consent**, children in KS1/KS2 may remove and store **their own** earrings.

Please note: The school will not be responsible for any injury or loss due to the removal or insertion of earrings.

Hair

- **ALL** headwear should be school colours or natural hair colours and of a reasonable size.
- No dyed, shaved lines or patterned hairstyles are allowed.

These items are not permitted at SEAC

- School bags (other than school book bag, school PE bag, swimming bag and lunchbox)
- Other jewellery than that stated above
- Toys
- Umbrellas
- Tattoos
- Nail varnish
- Open toed shoes / heels
- Pencil cases (all stationery for in school use will be provided)

*However, as part of personal development, and preparation for transition to their next phase of education, **Year 4 children are invited to bring a school bag of choice, a pencil case and their PE kits / resources to and from school after May half term.** This is suggested as a time for staff and parents/carers to teach and support the children in learning to remember and look after their own belongings. **ALL belongings and resources must be clearly labelled.***

Accessibility to school uniform

At SEAC we recognise the need to ensure that the uniform is affordable. We will therefore use any donated uniform to hold 'good as new sales' and a school 'swap shop'.

SEAC also recognises its obligations to accommodate reasonable requirements within the official school uniform and to ensure it is not discriminatory on the grounds of disability, gender, race, religion or belief. Please be aware that what is and is not acceptable will be decided by the academy in line with this policy and with due regard to the Equality Act, 2000.

Please note that by sending your child to SEAC, you are agreeing to ensure that you and your child/children abide by guidelines outlined within this policy.

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