

# Uniform Policy

Thoresby Vale Primary Academy

September 2025

## 1. Introduction

Within our academy we promote our children to be the best they can be through our Healthy Habits 'take responsibility' and 'be a leader'. Our concern for these high standards is also reflected in the pride we take in our academy uniform and the feeling of belonging it creates.

It is our academy policy that all children wear academy uniform when attending the academy or when participating in an academy organised event outside of normal academy hours.

Our policy for uniform is based on the belief that academy uniform:

- Promotes a sense of pride in the academy and it has a positive impact on behaviour and attitudes within the academy
- Develops a sense of community and belonging towards the academy
- Identifies children within our academy when taking part in out of academy educational activities and visits
- Is practical and looks smart
- Makes children feel equal to others in terms of appearance
- Is not distracting in class (as fashion clothes and hairstyles can be)
- Is regarded as suitable wear for academy and considered by most parents as good value for money
- Is designed with health and safety in mind.

Uniform in keeping with religious faith is acceptable.

As you may be aware, government guidance on uniform has changed. The purpose of this guidance is to ensure the cost of school uniforms is reasonable and parents get the best value for money.

With this in mind, we have ensured that, if families wish to purchase uniform items with the academy logo, our supplier gives the highest priority to cost and value for money, including the quality and durability of the garment. However, we have also made changes to our uniform, to also ensure that families can buy all school uniform items (without the academy logo) from any store.

## **2. Uniform supplier**

Our uniform supplier is Mapac – you can purchase items of our uniform with our academy logo on their website [here](#).

## **3. Uniform**

We encourage all our children to wear their uniform with pride.

All items of uniform must be named so that they can be returned to the correct child.

- Black trousers, shorts, skirt, or pinafore
- Green fleece with or without the school logo
- White polo shirt
- Black tights or socks
- Black shoes or black ankle boots (*No heeled shoes or open-toed shoes*)
  
- In the summer term, green gingham dresses may be worn.

**On PE days, children can come to school in their PE uniform:**

- White or green performance T-Shirt (Logo optional)
- Plain black shorts or cycling shorts
- Plain black joggers or leggings
- Green hoody (Logo optional)
- Trainers

## **4. Outdoor clothing:**

As children get outside in all seasons, it is useful for children to also have the following in school:

- Waterproof coat
- Wellies
- Waterproof trousers or suit
- Hat and gloves in winter
- Sunhat in summer

## **5. Hair and jewellery**

Jewellery should not be worn except for watches (**Smart Watches are not permitted**) and stud earrings. We encourage parents to make use of the summer holidays for ear piercing. This will enable ears to heal before returning to academy in September. All hair longer than shoulder length should be tied back.

With earrings, we recommend children come to school without earrings on swimming and PE days, if not, the children must take them out and replace them themselves. Staff are not allowed to take out or put in earrings.


If children do have their ears pierced during term time:

- For School Swimming lessons through Notts County Council: Children cannot wear earrings for school swimming. We recommend that children come to school without earrings on a school swimming day. Otherwise, they must be removed and replaced by the child. If earrings cannot be removed, then children will be excluded from school swimming lessons.
- For PE, earrings can be taped for six weeks from the date of piercing. They must be removed for PE lessons after these six weeks; they can no longer be taped. The tape needs to be applied by families before school.

## **6. Non-compliance with the Uniform Policy**

Children not wearing appropriate uniform will be spoken to by the class teacher and parents will be contacted. Uniform from our Swap shop will be given to the child where it is available. Persistent and defiant non-compliance with the uniform policy may result in appropriate sanctions in line with our Academy Behaviour Policy.

We will always work with our families to support with uniform where necessary. In keeping with our ethos around sustainability we encourage our families to donate uniform their child has grown out of so that it can be rehomed via our Swap Shop. As our school grows, our Swap Shop will too. Our aim is for it to hold a selection of pre-loved uniform that parents and children are welcome to take, free of charge, at any point.



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**Academy  
uniform**



Green fleece  
(logo optional)

White polo shirt

Black trousers, shorts,  
skirt, or pinafore

Black tights or socks

Black shoes or ankle  
boots (no heeled shoes  
or open-toed shoes)

**Summer term only:**  
Green gingham dresses  
may be worn.



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**Academy  
PE kit**

All years



## PE kit

White or green t-shirt  
(logo optional)

Green hoodie  
(logo optional)

Plain black joggers,  
leggings, shorts, or  
cycling shorts

Trainers