Kingfisher Federation
Uniform Policy

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It is our academy policy that all children wear school uniform when attending school. Children are expected to wear clean neat clothing selected from the list below. We think there are many advantages to having a school dress code:

- promotes a sense of pride in the school;
- creates a sense of community and belonging towards the school;
- is practical and smart;
- identifies the children with the academy;
- makes children feel equal to their peers in terms of appearance;
- is regarded as suitable wear for school
- is designed with health and safety in mind.

We thank you for your co-operation in this

If you feel that your child has different uniform needs, please contact a senior leader via the school office to discuss.

Purchasing Uniform
All of our uniform items are generic items and can be purchased from any supplier. If you would like to purchase a school logoed item, they can be purchased through:
My Clothing link

Second hand uniform:
We often have stocks of pre-loved school uniform which can be collected without charge from the school office. Please send the office a message and they will collate a bundle in your child's size.

PE
For days when children have PE they are asked to come into school wearing their PE kit.
For colder days, pupils may wear plain black tracksuit/sports trousers and a top (their school jumper).
For outdoor games pupils will also need a change of socks and outdoor sports shoes, these should be kept in a named bag.

Naming clothes
Please make sure all items of clothing are clearly named. Pupils regularly take off their jumpers and cardigans during the day (in the classroom and in the playground) and as they are all the same, they are difficult to return to owners. Unnamed items of uniform will be put in the lost property area by each classroom.

School Specific Items		
Earsham	**Gillingham St Michael's**	**Ditchingham**
Upper Body White shirt, blouse or polo shirt, plain or with school logo. Royal Blue sweatshirt or cardigan, plain or with school logo. 	**Upper Body** White shirt, blouse or polo shirt with long or short sleeves in a plain style Burgundy V-neck jumper, cardigan or sweatshirt. 	**Upper Body** Light Blue shirt, blouse or polo shirt with long or short sleeves in a plain style Navy Blue V-neck jumper, cardigan or sweatshirt. 
Lower Body Black or grey trousers, skirt or pinafore dress (this is a generic item and can be purchased from any supplier). Pupils have the option to wear black or grey school shorts or a light blue gingham (checked) dress, shorts or uniform playsuit (this is a generic item and can be purchased from any supplier).	**Lower Body** Black or grey trousers, skirt or pinafore dress (this is a generic item and can be purchased from any supplier). Pupils have the option to wear black or grey school shorts or a burgundy gingham (checked) dress, shorts or uniform playsuit (this is a generic item and can be purchased from any supplier).	**Lower Body** Black or grey trousers, skirt or pinafore dress (this is a generic item and can be purchased from any supplier). Pupils have the option to wear black or grey school shorts or a light blue gingham (checked) dress, shorts or uniform playsuit (this is a generic item and can be purchased from any supplier).
PE KIT Plain black shorts, a royal blue T-shirt (either plain or with school logo) and a pair of trainers.	**PE KIT** Plain black shorts, a plain white T-shirt (a school logoed t-shirt is available to order) and a pair of trainers.	**PE KIT** Plain black shorts, a plain T-shirt in their house colour (a school logoed t-shirt is available to order) and a pair of trainers.

***Please note, all uniform must be appropriate uniform style, material and cut, and be of appropriate length.**

Socks & tights

- Black, Grey or White socks
- Black or Grey tights (if tights are worn, socks should be brought to change into for outdoor P.E.)

Shoes:

- Black **flat** shoes of a design suitable for school. Training shoes should not be worn except for PE days.

Hair

Pupils' hair should be neat and tidy.
Extreme hairstyles and cuts are not allowed. This includes, but is not limited to, tramlines, stars, extreme patterns, 'V' styles, Mohican cuts, wrapped braids, or dyed, tipped or dipped hair.
Pupils with long hair should also tie it back for safety reasons.
The school will expect reasonable steps to be taken to rectify hair that does not fit the policy. This may include shaving out patterns or returning hair to its original colour.

Water Bottles

We encourage children to drink water regularly during the day, so we like them to bring a bottle of drinking water with them. There is good research to show that this helps children's concentration and general well-being.

Jewellery, Make-up & Nail Varnish

In order to follow safety regulations, the only jewellery allowed is one pair of smooth, flat ear studs with no rear projection. Pupils may wear watches but the school accepts no responsibility for loss or damage and they should be clearly marked with the owner's name. All jewellery and watches, including earrings must be removed for P.E. and swimming. If watches or jewellery become a distraction, staff may ask pupils to remove it. Make-up, including nail varnish should not be worn.

Weather considerations

When the weather is hot children should bring a hat to school and wear it for outside activities and breaks.

In cold weather all children need to bring a coat, scarf and gloves to wear when outside.

Pupils are encouraged to bring a spare pair of shoes/trainers/boots to change into during playtimes, particularly when the field is muddy/wet.