



Uniform and Appearance Policy

July 2022

Updates 20/05/24

Review 20/05/26

Introduction

This Policy has been established through discussions with, and ratification by, learners, staff and the Governing Body of Caradog Primary School.

The policy has been constructed to reflect Welsh Government Guidance, namely, 'School uniform and appearance: Policy guidance for governing bodies.' January 2022.

As part of our vision at Caradog Primary School, we aim to have high standards of learning and teaching, which challenges all of our learners to achieve in an environment in which they feel safe, secure and supported. We feel that uniform and appearance play an important part of high expectations of ourselves individually and as a community. We therefore encourage and ask that all pupils at Caradog wear school uniform and maintain a good standard of clean and tidy dress in school.

Aims

The aim of our approach to 'uniform and appearance' in Caradog, is to:

- Provide a sense of identity, belonging and community within the school.
- Foster a feeling of pride! - Showing that we're proudly part of Caradog!
- Ensure we look smart and uniform wears well!
- Ensure that uniform is affordable and easily accessible for all our families.
- Ensure that we have a sensible, flexible approach to uniform items to account for extreme weather conditions. I.E; very hot days.
- Ensure that due regard is given to securing equality of treatment between pupils of different sexes and genders; pupils from different ethnic and religious backgrounds and; disabled pupils in relation to this policy.
- Support positive behaviour and school discipline.
- Ensure pupils dress appropriately for learning activities.
- Remove potential peer pressure to dress in particular fashions.
- Enable pupils of all backgrounds to share in a common identity (embraces their particular requirements).
- Assist identification of strangers on school premises.
- Assist with safeguarding and health and safety in mind! (I.E; with regards to jewellery)
- Support and promote the ethos of the school.

Uniform at Caradog

The following uniform can be worn at Caradog.

- A yellow/gold polo shirt.
- A blue sweatshirt or cardigan.
- A grey pinafore, skirt, trousers or shorts (no leggings).
- Year 6 pupils wear either a black sweatshirt, jumper or cardigan, white shirt, black trousers/ skirt, cardigan, school tie (provided).

- Tights or socks can be worn.
- Shoes or trainers can be worn.
- For PE, we ask that pupils wear shorts / tracksuit bottoms and a t-shirt. Trainers / daps will also be required.
- Coats, wellies, waterproofs, hats, scarves, caps, etc. – Can all be used and brought in to school, dependant on the weather / if asked specifically by class teachers for particular activities.
- You can purchase items of uniform embroidered with our school badge from School Trends. Please click on the link below:

[Caradog Primary School* Uniform \(schooltrends.co.uk\)](http://schooltrends.co.uk)

- Alternatively, children can wear items of clothing without the school logo on, if you prefer, however please follow the school colours.
- We have a Uniform Shop at Caradog. It has a range of nearly new uniform which has been donated and is ready to take home. Please speak with a member of staff for more details.

The uniform is designed to be practical, maintainable, and good value for money.

Hair accessories such as slides, ribbons bobbles, etc, should be fairly simple and if possible, in school colours.

Parents are asked to ensure that all items are labelled clearly with their child's name.

For safety reasons we ask that the children do not wear jewellery in school, of any kind.

****Studs can be worn, however must be removed for PE sessions.

For health reasons it is important that children are properly dressed for physical activity. PE kit should be kept in a named bag or worn to school on PE days.

Children shouldn't wear false nails to school in the interest of safety.

This policy will be reviewed every two years.

Reviewed by School / Governors: July 2026.