

## Uniform Policy

**Status:** Statutory

### **Aims:**

Uniform is worn by all pupils up until the end of year 11. Wearing uniform has many benefits, not least:

- Providing a sense of community and belonging
- Promotes equality and inclusion
- Reducing anxiety over choice each morning

However, we are flexible as to certain aspects of uniform, such as trousers and shoes, due to the special needs of all of our children. This can be discussed with the pastoral team or senior management team.

Children can attend school in comfortable versions of the uniform, because those with sensory sensitivity may find certain clothes itchy, heavy or tight which can lead to a sensory overload.

We want to ensure that any uniform purchased is affordable for parents and carers.

### **Where can parents and Carers purchase uniform?**

The school jumper or cardigan with a logo on it is the only item which is purchased from a specific supplier. We have worked to ensure this supplier offers good value for money.

All other uniform items, including trousers, skirts, polo shirts, shoes or trainers can be purchased from any clothing retailer. The uniform list can be found on the school website at <https://www.thecastleschoolnewbury.org.uk/page/?title=School+Uniform&pid=23&action=saved>

### **What if I have difficulties buying uniform?**

We have some nearly new uniform available. If you want to find out more, please speak to Jackie Hogg, Pastoral Manager on 01635 42976