



## Northfield Primary & Nursery School



### School Uniform Policy

#### **Aims and objectives**

Our policy on school uniform is based on the belief that school uniform:

- promotes a sense of pride in our school;
- helps to create a sense of community and belonging towards the school;
- identifies the children with the school;
- supports our commitment to inclusion;
- prevents children from wearing 'fashion clothes' that could be distracting in class;
- is practical, smart and designed with health and safety in mind;
- is considered good value for money by most parents/carers

#### **Expectations**

We expect all pupils to comply with our uniform policy, which will be monitored. Any pupil who falls short of these requirements will be advised of this fact by their class teacher and given the opportunity to improve. Continued failure to comply will be brought to the attention of the Senior Leadership Team.

#### **The Role of Parents/Carers**

We believe that one of the responsibilities of parents/carers is to ensure that their child has the correct uniform and PE kit, and that it is clean, in good repair and that the child's name is written on all items.

#### **The Role of Governors**

The governing body supports the Head Teacher in implementing the School Uniform Policy. It considers all representations from parents/carers regarding the uniform policy and liaises with the Head Teacher to ensure that the policy is implemented fairly and with sensitivity. It is the governors' responsibility to ensure that the school uniform meets all regulations concerning equal opportunities. Governors ensure that the School Uniform Policy enables children to dress sensibly, in clothing that is hardwearing, safe and practical.

The governing body believe that the wearing of a school uniform provides children with a school mindset that encourages behaviour, learning and belonging.

#### **Where to buy School uniform**

##### **School Uniform List**

Uniform can be worn with or without the school logo. School uniform containing the school logo is available from the Schoolwear Centre on West Gate in Mansfield or on-line from [www.yourschooluniform.com](http://www.yourschooluniform.com). Their contact number is 01773 837377. Most supermarkets stock uniform without the school logo.

Items of school uniform which must be worn by all children are:

- Red jumper/cardigan/sweatshirt
- White shirts/blouses/polo shirts

- Grey skirt/pinafores/grey or black school trousers (not jogging trousers or leggings)
- Plain low-heeled dark coloured shoes (black trainer type shoes are allowed but they must not be 'sports' trainers or have any sports logos or trademarks, and should be all black with black soles)
- White, black or grey socks or white, black, grey or red tights

Optional summer uniform:

- Smart tailored black or grey knee length school shorts (not cycling shorts). Both boys and girls can wear shorts if they wish
- Red checked dress

P.E. kit consists of:

- Plain white T shirt
- Black or navy shorts
- Plimsolls or trainers for outside games
- Black or navy tracksuit bottoms, jogging bottoms or leggings

No football tops, shorts or other branded clothing should be worn.

PE kits can be left in school and taken home at the end of each half term.

Second hand uniform may be available upon request on a needs basis. Please contact the office for further details.

**As all children will be wearing the same items of clothing, parents/carers must ensure that all items are clearly labelled with the child's name.**

### **Jewellery, hairstyles and accessories**

For safety reasons children should not wear jewellery at school, although children who have pierced ears may wear small studs (no more than one per ear). Children in KS2 may wear a simple watch (Smart watches or similar electrical devices are not permissible). All jewellery, including earrings must be removed for P.E lessons, including swimming, or during sport or after-school clubs. No other piercings are acceptable, such as nose, naval and tongue.

If you would like your child to have their ears pierced, please try to arrange this at the start of the summer holidays so they have enough time to heal. This means earrings can be removed for PE. Plasters are not allowed to be worn over earrings for PE.

However, we strongly recommend that no jewellery is worn, as school will not be held responsible for any loss or damage.

Make-up, nail varnish or false nails should not be worn in school

Hairstyles should be appropriate for school, and hair should be of a natural hair colour. All long hair (shoulder length or longer) should be tied back when in PE lessons for pupils' safety. Headbands or hair bobbles should be of a plain colour.

### **Headscarves/Hijab**

These may be worn for religious reasons but must be in school colours – black, red or white.

### **School Bags**

There is no reason for children to bring large bags into school. There is a great shortage of space in the cloakrooms and large bags exacerbate the problem.

### **Equality Impact Assessment**

We as a school community have a commitment to promote equality. Therefore, an equality impact assessment has been undertaken and we believe this policy is in line with the Equality Act 2010 as it is fair, it does not prioritise or disadvantage any pupil and it helps to promote equality at this school.

### **Monitoring and Review**

The governing body monitors and reviews the school uniform policy through its committee work by seeking the views of parents/carers, to ensure that they agree with and support the policy; considering, with the Head Teacher, any requests from parents/carers for individual children to have special dispensation with regard to school uniform.

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