

Hillside Primary School Pupil Uniform Policy

Why does the School require my child to wear a Uniform?

We believe a school uniform is important because:

- a uniform contributes to a sense of belonging to the Hillside Primary School community
- a uniform develops a sense of pride in our school
- a uniform helps children feel equal to their peers in terms of appearance
- a uniform is designed with health and safety of a child in mind

Our uniform is selected to be practical, maintainable and good value for money.

School Uniform Expectations

It is preferable for pupils to wear uniform from our uniform supplier sporting the school's 'Inukshuk' logo. Our main supplier of school uniform is C&D Uniform Solutions.

You can place an order for uniform and equipment (such as book bags) which display the school's logo from www.candduniform.co.uk and they will deliver straight to your home.

However, if parents are unable to purchase from C&D, children should wear uniform in the school's colours as follows:

- Flat, black shoes which cover toes (not trainers).
 Lace-up, buckles or velcro fastenings (not slip-on)
- Plain dark purple sweatshirt or cardigan
- Plain black cotton trousers, culottes, knee-length skirts or pinafore dress. Purple gingham summer dresses may be worn in the warmer weather
- Plain white polo shirt

All clothing must be named to ensure it is returned to the rightful owner. Unnamed lost property will be kept in the main entrance until the end of a half term when it will be disposed of or used as spare uniform.

Jewellery, Hair and Makeup (including temporary tattoos)

- Hair must be natural in colour. It is not healthy for children's hair to be dyed but, if parents choose to allow this, it must be a natural hair colour. Hair extensions must be the same, natural colour as the child's own hair.
- Hair longer than shoulder length must be tied-up to avoid the easy transfer of head lice.
- Hair styles must be without embellishment i.e. simple cut with no patterns or words.
- Hair accessories such as slides, ribbons, bands and bobbles should be simple and in school colours (black or bottle green).
- Headwear (Dastar, Pagri, Hijab, Kippah for example) may be worn for religious observance—black only close fitting and allow for the full face to be seen.
- Jewellery is considered to be any form of adornment to the body, which is not clothing. This includes all kinds of earrings (studs and "sticks") and bangles.
- Children may wear a maximum of one studded earring in each ear. Hooped or dangly earrings are not permitted.
- Parents are encouraged to remove their child's earrings on days they have PE or swimming and to only pierce their child's ears in the summer holidays.
- Some jewellery will be permitted as part of religious observance. Parents must write to the Headteacher making a specific request for their child to wear jewellery as part of religious observance.
- Makeup of any kind is not permitted. Nail varnish must be removed for school.
- Face paint may be worn for school events such as discos or World Book Day.
- Temporary tattoos are not permitted. Every effort should be made to remove temporary tattoos before attending school.

Hillside Primary School is an inclusive community. As such, we recognise that there may be exceptions to the uniform procedure for religious observance as indicated.

Physical Education (PE) Kit

Physical Education (PE) is a compulsory element of the National Curriculum. It is therefore essential for all pupils to have appropriate kit to participate fully in PE lessons. PE kit may be worn to school on PE Days.

PE kit school's colours:

- Plain white t-shirt
- Plain black shorts
- Trainers
- During cold weather, children should wear black tracksuit bottoms and a black sweatshirt as PE will still take place outside during colder weather.
- Studded earrings should be removed for PE (If not, children must be capable of covering their earrings with tape. Adults will not do this for any child). Parents are encouraged to remove studded earrings at home on the days pupils have PE, swimming or after school sports.
- Swimming kit trunks (not beach shorts) or one-piece swimsuit (not bikini); swimming hat, towel. Goggles, ear plugs or nose clips are permitted for medical reasons only.

After School Sports Clubs

Children may wear their own sports kit for after school sports clubs, if they wish.

What if my child does not adhere to the School Uniform Policy?

We will work with families to ensure your child has the correct uniform. Second hand uniform may be provided by the school if parents have difficulty providing appropriate uniform or PE kit for their child.

Equalities

As reflected in our school's Equality Policy:

Treating people equally does not necessarily involve treating them all the same. Our policies, procedures and activities must not discriminate but must nevertheless take account of difference of life-experience, outlook and background, and in the kinds of barrier and disadvantage which people may face in relation to:

- Disability, so that reasonable adjustments are made
- Ethnicity, so that different cultural backgrounds and experiences of prejudice are recognised
- Religion, belief or faith background
- Sexual identity
- Gender so that the different needs and experiences of girls and boys and women and men are recognised

Appendix 1

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