



Shotton Hall Primary School

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Uniform Policy

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Rationale:

We believe that the wearing of a school uniform enables children to identify with their school, gives a sense of belonging, is practical and smart, reinforces a positive work ethos and reduces expenditure for parents/carers.

Our school uniform follows direct guidance from the Department for Education which states:

The Department strongly encourages schools to have a uniform as it can play a valuable role in contributing to the ethos of a school and setting an appropriate tone.'

<http://www.education.gov.uk/schools/leadership/schoolethos/b0014144/schooluniform>

Aims:

- All children wear the correct uniform to school
- Children feel proud to belong to the school
- Parents/carers share the expectations of the school

Pupils are required to wear full school uniform daily with the exception of their PE day when they must come to school in their PE kit and trainers. Plimsolls must be kept in trays for indoor PE.

Guidelines:

- It is expected that children wear the school uniform each day, with the appropriate footwear.
- The school prospectus provides parents/carers with full details and prices of the uniform to be worn.
- Most items of uniform can be purchased from the local shops – see school brochure.
- If a child does not wear the correct uniform, children will be given uniform from the spare uniform kit in school.
- Persistent absence of uniform will result in parents/carers being contacted.
- If a child arrives at school wearing inappropriate clothing which causes concern (eg unsuitable for the weather, too revealing, offensive/unsuitable slogans/logos, etc) then the school will also provide uniform for the child to wear for the day.
- Spare kit can be provided but this may not be of good quality and must be kept by the child after wearing.
- Persistent absence of PE kit will result in parents/carers being informed and an expectation that kit will be provided.
- Parents are asked to clearly label every item of school clothing with their child's name.
- The children are responsible for taking care of their own items of uniform.
- Lost property is held within each classroom. We do not have a lost property box. Clothes are disposed of after one half term.
- If there is any reason why a child cannot wear our uniform or requires special dispensation (eg health or religious grounds) then the governors will consider sympathetically any such request from a parent/carer. Requests to be made to the headteacher.

Uniform details:

Winter:

Red school sweatshirt, cardigan or fleece (with or without school logo)

Plain white polo shirt or blouse

Black/grey trousers, pinafore or skirt

White/black socks

White, red or black tights

Black leggings

Black flat full shoes without clear logos (please note heels are not permitted - as a guide we require heels to be less than 2 ½ centimetres to ensure the health and safety of all pupils)

Black non logo trainers may be worn.

Summer:

As above also: red/white checked dress or black/grey shorts

*Jeans, tracksuits, high-heeled shoes/boots, football shirts, shirts with large slogans/logos etc. are not acceptable school wear.

PE KIT:

Red, white or black T-shirt, plain black shorts/leggings, black non-logo trainers AND plimsols. A non logo black tracksuit/jogging bottoms and sweatshirt must also be worn for outdoor activities during the winter.

JEWELLERY:

Children may not wear necklaces, chains, bracelets or rings to school.

They may wear an ordinary watch but not an apple or fitbit type.

Plain stud earrings are allowed- no diamonds, novelties or skulls etc. These must be covered with a plaster by the parents before school on PE day and removed at home. Staff will not touch children's ears piercings. If your child can remove their own pierced earrings they may do so for PE.

This is to prevent them from causing injury. This complies with the 'safe practice in physical education and sport' guidance. This complies with DCC H&S team advice.

Educational Visits

For most off-site visits school uniform will be required. At the very least this will be the school jumper and polo shirt depending on the activity. This allows pupils to be easily identified in when off site.

Parents will be advised if additional or different clothing is needed on a trip by trip basis.

Extra-curricular events

Activities that take place immediately after the school day will usually require pupils to remain in their school uniform and follow this policy. If it is a sporting activity then kit needed by pupils will be advised in any correspondence.

Events hosted by outside providers will also comply with this policy. In particular, reference should be made to footwear – in the event of a school disco heels must not be worn for reasons of health and safety. As a guide we will allow heels of less than 2 ½ centimetres.

General Appearance

We reserve the right to decide that the cut and colour of a student's hairstyle is inappropriate e.g. tramlines, Mohicans or extreme short sides with longer hair on top.

Hair should be a natural colour.

Piercings

Students may wear one small, single metal stud in each earlobe - no other piercings are allowed.

Visible body piercings are not allowed e.g. nose, top of the ear, tongue. Students will not be allowed to cover piercings with an Elastoplast. Parents are advised that if a child is to have a piercing it must take place at the start of the six weeks holiday and it must be removed on the first day of term.

The following are not permitted:

necklaces

bracelets

rings
false, gel or acrylic nails
brightly coloured nail varnish
false eyelashes
make-up
tattoos
novelty hair bands
high heels