Crossflatts Primary School

SCHOOL UNIFORM

Version 1

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The Department for Education strongly encourages schools to have a uniform as it can instil pride; support positive behaviour and discipline; encourage identity with, and support for, school ethos; ensure pupils of all races and backgrounds feel welcome; protect children from social pressures to dress in a particular way; and nurture cohesion and promote good relations between different groups of pupils. Above all, many schools believe that school uniform supports effective teaching and learning.
It is for the governing body of a school to decide whether there should be a school uniform and other rules relating to appearance, and if so what they should be. This flows from the duties placed upon the governing body by statute to conduct the school and to ensure that school policies promote good behaviour and discipline amongst the pupil body. It is also for the governing body to decide how the uniform should be sourced. The governing body should be able to demonstrate to parents how best value has been achieved and keep the cost of supplying the uniform under review. (DfE 01.05.12)

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.

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

Guidelines :

- It is expected that children wear the school uniform each day, with the appropriate footwear.
- The school website provides parents/carers with full details of the school uniform.
- If a child does not wear the correct uniform, parents/carers will be contacted.
- Parents are asked to clearly label every item of school clothing with their child's name (including all footwear).
- The children are responsible for taking care of their own items of uniform.
- There are containers for lost property located in the corridors around school.
- If there is any reason why a child cannot wear our uniform or requires special dispensation (e.g. health or religious grounds) then the governors will consider sympathetically any such request from a parent/carer.

Uniform List for Crossflatts Primary School

- White or light blue school polo shirt
- Royal blue sweatshirt or cardigan with logo (Pupils in Nursery, Reception class and Years1/2/3/4)
- Pupils in Years 5 and 6 wear jade green sweatshirts or cardigans with logo

- Dark grey or black skirt, pinafore dress or trousers
- Sensible black shoes/black trainer-style shoes/black leather-style boots. The same footwear should not be used inside and out during wintry weather.
- Plain black, grey, tights or socks.

Summer :

- Blue and white checked dress
- Dark grey or black shorts
- Sensible black shoes/black trainer-style shoes. No open toe sandals or croc-style shoes
- Plain black, grey or white socks

P.E.Kit - (PE kit to be worn to school on PE days in Years 1 to 6 underneath school sweatshirts and tracksuit bottoms)

- Plain white round necked t-shirt
- Black football shorts (no sport logos) or black cycle shorts/short leggings for girls
- Plain black trainers
- Plain black tracksuit bottoms suitable for outdoor sports in cold weather (no sports logos or stripes)

Additional School Uniform (Optional)

- Blue school fleece or shower-proof reversible jacket
- Blue/ black ski-style hat for outdoor PE in cold weather
- Blue sun hat (baseball or legionnaire-style)
- Wellington boots for outdoor learning in Dingley Dell school woodland and the school grounds

School uniform can be purchased on line from Marks & Spencers

Hair and Jewellery

• Hair dyes, extreme haircuts and excessive/over flamboyant hairstyles or accessories are not appropriate for school.
• Hair accessories: blue, white, black or a mix to match the uniform.
• If the hair is longer than shoulder length it should be tied back.
• Jewellery: watch only on wrist. For pierced ears, only simple studs may be worn.

Swimming

As an important element of the National Curriculum children in year 5 take part in swimming lessons at Bingley swimming pool. Children should bring the appropriate swimwear when it is their allocated term to attend swimming lessons.

Applying for help with school clothing costs

Families, who are on benefits or on a low income, could be entitled to clothing grants or vouchers from their local authorities to assist with the cost of school clothing. Families whose children are eligible for the school Pupil Premium funding could contact the school for advice.

Breaching uniform policy

The school will be considerate and make appropriate enquiries with either the child or parents if a child does not adhere to the uniform policy. Children will not be made to feel uncomfortable, nor discriminated against.

If a family is having financial difficulties, the school will advise and provide support to those parents in confidence if they contact the school.