

Uplands Primary School Uniform Policy



Our vision for all our pupils is that we wish them to be able to *thrive, engage and enjoy so that they can be the best they can be*. In order to achieve this, we believe that it is important that pupils come to school feeling that they belong, are equal to their peers, are safe and feel comfortable. It is our aim that our uniform policy supports this view. In addition to this, we aim to have the highest standards in our school and expect pupils and staff to take pride in belonging to our community. We believe that uniform guidelines help support pupils to prepare for future schooling and future rules in the workplace. Finally, one of our core values is respect. We teach pupils to respect all rules and we believe that following uniform guidelines supports this.

What do we expect?

We expect pupils to look smart and tidy and to select their daily uniform from the list below. Whilst logo items can look smart, we do not expect parents to pay for any logo items and encourage families to shop around for cheaper items.

Daily Uniform:

- Royal blue jumper or cardigan (essential)
- Light blue polo top long or short sleeved (essential)
- Grey trousers, grey shorts to knee, grey skirt to knee, grey culottes, or grey pinafore/dress (essential)
- Blue checked summer dress (optional in place of grey)
- Black plain school shoes (not trainers)
- Plain grey, black or white tights or socks (essential)
- Royal blue fleece jacket (optional)
- Warm and waterproof Coat- any colour
- Wellingtons for pupils in YR (essential)
- Dark coloured headscarf (optional)

'PE ready' kit

- Royal blue jumper or cardigan (essential)
- White t-shirt (essential)
- Trainers (essential – plain colours such as white, black, navy, grey)
- Plain Black joggers, plain black leggings (essential for the colder months)
- Royal Blue or black shorts (essential for the warmer months – not cycling shorts)
- Plain grey, black or white socks (essential)

School bags

- YR pupils will receive a free book bag on their entry into school which can be used until the end of Y2
- Pupils in Y3 to Y6 can bring in a small rucksack of any colour.

Accessories

In addition to the daily items, pupils are permitted to wear the following accessories:

- One small pair of stud earrings (these must be removed for PE)
- Watch (please see guidance on the use of smart watches)
- Plain headbands and hairbands in a dark colour such as black, grey or blue
– we ask that long hair is tied back

What is not acceptable?

Pupils are not permitted to:

- Wear additional jewelry
- Wear make-up or nail varnish
- Come to school with dyed/coloured hair, shaved hair styles or fashion hair styles e.g.: coloured braids.
- 'Hot pant' style shorts for school uniform or PE
- Elaborate hair pieces/bands
- Wear heeled shoes. sandals or fashion boots

Helping with costs

We appreciate that buying and maintaining uniform is costly. In order to support with this, we promote the following:

- Please clearly label all items your child wears to school. Each year a lot of items of clothing end up in our lost property without a name and are not claimed.
- As stated above, parents should not feel that they need to buy costly items with the school logo on.
- The USA (PTA) run sales where parents can purchase second hand uniform very cheaply.
- Please donate any times your children have finished with to the school via the office, so that we can sell them on again.
- Where we can, we will help families with costs and please speak to the school office or the Headteacher if you need some financial support as we may be able to help you.

Noncompliance

We expect all our pupils to wear the expected uniform and believe that within the daily list there is choice for all. If for some reason your child is unable to come into school in the correct uniform (for example, shoes have broken) then please speak to a member of staff so that we are aware. If you are experiencing any other difficulties in supporting your child to wear the uniform, then please contact the school and we will support with this.

Specific requests

Should you wish to request an adjustment to the policy, then please contact the school for further support and advice. The Headteacher and/or the Inclusion Leader will be happy to meet with you. For example, if your child has a sensory issue or for a religious reason.

Complaints

To date we have not had any formal complaints about our uniform and most concerns are usually sorted by speaking to a member of staff. However, should you feel that you would like to make a more formal complaint then a copy of our Complaints Policy can be found on our website.

