

Haslingfield Endowed Primary School

Uniform Policy

Principles

It is our policy that all children should wear clothing that is in keeping with a purposeful learning ethos. We also believe it is important that certain activities are facilitated by specialised and appropriate clothing when attending school, or when participating in a school-organised event outside normal school hours. We provide a complete list of the items needed for children's school uniform in this policy.

Aims

Our policy for children's school uniform is based on the belief that a school uniform:

- promotes a sense of pride in the school
- engenders a feeling of community and belonging
- is practical and smart
- identifies the children with the school
- is not distracting in class (as fashion clothes might be)
- makes children feel equal to their peers in terms of appearance
- is regarded as suitable, and good value for money, by most parents
- has been designed with health and safety in mind.

Jewellery

On health and safety grounds we do not allow children to wear jewellery in our school. The exceptions to this rule are plain earring studs in pierced ears. We ask the children to remove these objects during PE and games.

Make up and Cosmetics including Transfers

Make up and cosmetics are not considered appropriate or consistent with our school uniform. The school does not permit such products to be worn by any children, unless there is a specific event for which the Head has given permission.

Hair

The school does not permit children to have haircuts that could serve as a distraction to other children or where the haircut could produce a risk to the child's health and safety. Hair gel, wax and other 'styling' products are considered to be equivalent to make-up and cosmetics and are not permitted. Long hair should be tied back at all times. This avoids health and safety risks as well as reducing the potential spread of headlice.

Footwear

The school wants all children to grow into healthy adults. We believe that in school it is dangerous for children to wear platform soles or high heels. Neither do we encourage children to wear trainers to school; these are appropriate for sport or as leisurewear, but are not in keeping with the smart appearance of a school uniform. To enable your child to safely take part in a wide range of break time sports and games making full use of adventure equipment children should wear shoes that are not loose fitting or that restrict foot movement. We require all children to wear the types of shoe described in the uniform list.

The Role of Parents

We ask all parents who send their children to our school to support the school uniform policy. We believe that parents have a duty to send their children to school correctly dressed and ready for their daily schoolwork. Parents should ensure that their child has the correct uniform, and that it is clean and in good repair. Parents may be informed, of any lack of appropriate school uniform or PE equipment. The level of responsibility held by the children for their own personal presentation will be judged by the head teacher according to the age of the child and the particular circumstances.

The school welcomes children from all backgrounds and faith communities. If there are serious reasons, for example religious beliefs, why parents want their child to wear clothes that differ from the school uniform, the school will look sympathetically at such requests. Similarly, should an item of school uniform prove problematic for a pupil with disabilities or a medical condition, then parents are invited to draw this to the attention of the head teacher who will view these concerns sympathetically.

Our colours are red and white and the uniform is as follows:

Boys

- School red sweatshirt with school logo
- School white or red polo shirt with school logo
- School red reversible fleece jacket with school logo
- School red book bag with school logo
- Grey trousers or grey shorts
- Grey socks
- Sensible flat, dark shoes or sandals

Girls

- School red sweatshirt with school logo or red knitted cardigan with school logo
- School white or red polo shirt with school logo or (white blouse)
- School red reversible fleece jacket with school logo
- School red book bag with school logo
- School grey skirt, grey trousers or grey pinafore dress
- Grey tights or white socks
- Sensible flat, dark shoes or sandals
- Red and white gingham dresses

For PE all children need

- School red t-shirt with school logo
- School red gym bag with school logo
- Black PE shorts
- Plimsolls in KS1
- A pair of trainers or plimsolls in KS2 for outdoor P.E.
- A tracksuit or suitable alternative clothing for outdoor P.E.

For Swimming

- Girls - 1 piece bathing costume
- Boys - swimming trunks or shorts
- Swimming Cap

All clothing and footwear should be clearly labelled with your child's name

This policy was ratified by the Governing Body on.....

Signed.....Chair of Governors