



Roundwood
PRIMARY SCHOOL

Uniform Policy

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To be reviewed annually

Uniform & PE

Introduction

It is our school policy that all children wear school uniform when attending school, or when participating in school-organised events outside normal school hours. The wearing of school uniform is important as it gives us a sense of unity and belonging. Staff encourage the children to take pride in their appearance, look smart and be proud to be part of Roundwood Primary School. Our school colours are red and grey. We are proud of our appearance as a school and have high expectations of the children to always wear correct uniform. We will also remind children to wear the correct uniform throughout the year. If there is a reason why any child is not wearing the correct uniform we would ask parents to inform the school office or speak to the class teacher.

Aims and objectives

Our policy on school uniform is based on the belief that school uniform:

- promotes a sense of pride in our school
- helps to create a sense of community and belonging towards the school
- identifies the children with the school
- supports our commitment to inclusion
- prevents children from wearing 'fashion clothes' that could be distracting in class
- is practical, smart and designed with health and safety in mind
- is considered good value for money by most parents

Jewellery, Watches, Hair Ornaments, Make-up and Nail Varnish

For health and safety reasons we do not allow children to wear jewellery. The exceptions to this rule are earring studs in pierced ears, and small objects of religious significance. Children are required to remove any items during PE lessons, or cover earrings with tape, to prevent them from causing injury. If children do wear earrings these should be plain gold or silver studs and the child should be able to remove them. Tape for covering earrings should be provided by the parent. No hoops or variations of small earrings please. Please note: Teachers are not permitted to remove earrings.

Wrist watches may be worn but only for the purpose of telling the time. 'Smart' watches linked to mobile phones are not permitted.

Hair bands, ribbons/bows or 'scrunchies' should be plain in colour. make up, tattoos and nail varnish should not be worn to school unless for an out of school hours function, for example a school disco. We also ask that hair should be sensibly cut for school with no fashion haircuts. For health and safety reasons to ensure it does not distract from learning and to limit the spread of head lice, we advise that children with hair beyond their shoulders should wear it up.

Footwear

For health and safety reasons we do not allow children to wear shoes with platform soles, high heels, trainers or open toed, strappy sandals. All children are required to wear plain black shoes, without logos, as stated in the uniform list. During the winter months and inclement weather children may wear boots to and from school and can change into these for playtimes. All children will be expected to change their boots for their black leather school shoes during lesson time and whilst they are inside the school building.

The Role of Parents

We believe that one of the responsibilities of parents is to ensure that their child has the correct uniform and PE kit, and that it is clean, in good repair and that the child's name is written on all items. If a parent has difficulties for any reason with fulfilling this request they are asked to speak confidentially to a member of staff to discuss the issues. Parents should be assured that we will do all we can to help. The school welcomes children from all backgrounds and faith communities. If there are serious reasons, for example on religious grounds, why parents want their child to wear clothes that differ from the school uniform, the school will consider such requests sympathetically. If any parent would like to request a modification to the uniform policy they should, in the first instance, contact the headteacher.

The Role of Governors

The governing body supports the headteacher in implementing the school uniform policy. It considers all representations from parents regarding the uniform policy and liaises with the headteacher to ensure that the policy is implemented fairly and with sensitivity. It is the governors' responsibility to ensure that the school uniform meets all regulations concerning equal opportunities. Governors ensure that the school uniform policy enables children to dress sensibly, in clothing that is hard wearing, safe and practical.

Monitoring and Review

The governing body monitors and reviews the school uniform policy through its committee work by:

- seeking the views of parents, to ensure that they agree with and support the policy
- considering, with the headteacher, any requests from parents for individual children to have special dispensation with regard to school uniform

Uniform

Girls uniform

Red sweatshirt or cardigan with school logo
Plain white polo shirt or plain white blouse
Grey skirt or pinafore
Grey trousers – traditional school style, no track suit or jean cut. No jersey or legging material
Red or grey tights
Grey or white socks – either long or short-no trainer socks
Black leather school shoes
Pleated grey culottes – not shorts – please contact the office for clarification before purchasing

Summer – Red and white gingham dress

Boys uniform

Red sweatshirt with school logo
Plain white polo shirt
Grey trousers – traditional school style, no track suit or jean cut
Grey or black socks-no trainer socks
Black leather school shoes

Summer – Grey shorts

White socks

Grey or black socks

Sweatshirts, cardigans, waterproof coats, t shirts and white polo shirts are available from the school uniform provider at a very reasonable price.

It is important that clothing during the summer months is appropriate i.e. dresses need to have sleeves in as children can easily get sunburnt on their shoulders. Children should be provided with sun hats as they will spend some of each day outside. Socks need to be worn and they should be ankle length, not trainer socks.

PE

Children should be provided with a draw string bag containing black P.E shorts, a red school PE shirt with the school logo, which can be purchased from school, and trainers. Plimsolls are not required. Children should also have a black track suit for outside PE. These should be kept in school. All clothing must be marked clearly with the child's name.

In the summer term children in Year 4 will have swimming lessons. The Swan Pool specifies that boys must wear tight shorts or speedos and girls wear swimsuits not bikinis. All children must wear a swim hat which can be purchased from the Swan Pool for around £2.

Again jewellery must be removed or earrings taped over.