

Eatock Primary School



School Uniform Policy

2022-23

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It is our school policy that all children wear school uniform when attending school, representing the school, or when participating in a school-organised event outside normal school hours.

Aims and objectives

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

- engenders a sense of community and belonging towards the school;
- promotes a sense of pride in the school;
- is practical and smart;
- identifies the children with the school;
- prevents children from coming to school in fashion clothes so that children feel equal to their peers in terms of appearance;
- is regarded as suitable wear for school and good value for money by most parents;
- is designed with health and safety in mind.
- is appropriate for the children to engage in the curriculum e.g. PE, Games, Outdoor Education.

Our uniform consists of:

- white shirt or white blouse (no polo shirt)*
- red v-neck knitted cardigan / jumper / tank top with the school logo (non-branded uniform is acceptable)
- tartan skirt or pinafore to be worn with black knee high socks / black tights
- black trousers
- black school shoes (no trainers)



During the summer months, children may choose to wear:

- black shorts to be worn with black socks (short or knee high)
- red and white gingham dress to be worn with short white socks

Nursery and Reception pupils will have the option of wearing a white shirt **or a white polo shirt as part of the school uniform.*

All pupils in Year 6 are also required to wear a clip on red tie.

Our Suppliers

Andrew Leach Schoolwear
98 Winter Hey Lane, Horwich Bolton BL6 7PJ
Tel: 01204 697624

Rainbow Uniform
87-89 Bradshawgate, Leigh WN7 4ND
Tel: 01942 609447

Non-branded uniform can be purchased widely from many clothing retail shops. We also encourage parents to donate uniform that no longer fits their child so it can be reused by another family. The school office will communicate more details on this with parents within the school year.

Outdoor Education

Children need a waterproof coat and trousers or a waterproof all in one and a pair of wellies. Tracksuit trousers and sweatshirt may be worn underneath waterproof clothing.

Physical Education

Children require a red tee shirt and black shorts, black tracksuit trousers and sweatshirt for outdoor games with a pair of black pumps or black trainers.

Jewellery

Due to Health and safety regulations, we do not allow children to wear jewellery in our school. The exceptions to this rule are ear-ring studs in pierced ears, and small objects of religious significance. We ask the children to either remove these objects during PE and games, or cover them with a plaster (provide by the parent), to prevent them from causing injury.

Hair Styles

Long hair should be tied up for Health and Safety reasons. For reasons of smartness and to engender a sense of belonging to the whole school community, parents are requested not to dye their children's hair using bright colours or have decorative patterns (e.g. Mohican style or lines) shaved into their children's hair.

The role of parents

Parents have a responsibility to support the school uniform policy. We believe that parents have a duty to send their children to school appropriately dressed and ready for their daily schoolwork. It is the responsibility of parents is to ensure that their child has the correct uniform (indoor and outdoor) and that it is clean and in a state of good repair.

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If any parent would like the school to modify the uniform policy, they should make representation, in the first instance, to the head teacher. The school welcomes children from all backgrounds and faith communities. If there are **valid reasons**, for example on religious grounds, why parents want their child to wear specific clothing etc which differs from the school uniform, the school will look sympathetically at such requests.

The role of Governors

The governing body implements the school uniform policy. It considers all representations from parents regarding the uniform policy and liaises with the head teacher 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 and health and safety.

Governors ensure that the school uniform policy helps children to dress sensibly, in clothing that is hardwearing, 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 head teacher, any requests from parents for individual children to have special dispensation (e.g. on religious grounds) with regard to school uniform;
- requiring the head teacher to report to the governors on the way the school uniform policy is implemented.

Reviewed and approved by the Governing Body: November 2020

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