

Roseberry Primary & Nursery School



School Uniform Policy

January 2018

Introduction

It is our school policy that all children wear school uniform when attending school or when participating in a school organised event outside normal school hours. A school uniform list is available from the school office and our website.

Aims and Objectives

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

- Promotes a sense of pride in the school
- Establishes a sense of community and belonging towards the school
- Is practical and smart
- Prevents children coming to school in fashion clothes that could be distracting in class
- Promotes equality 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

Jewellery & Make-up

The Governing Body strictly adheres to Health and Safety guidelines and therefore the wearing of jewellery is not permitted in school. If a child has his or her ear/s pierced, small studs may be worn until the ears have healed (6 weeks). It is therefore recommended that if a parent wishes their child to have this procedure done, it is completed at the start of the 6 week summer holiday so the ears are healed in time for the start of the new school year. After the 6 weeks, pupils will be asked to remove their earrings if they are worn to school. Pupils wearing earrings to school will not be allowed to undertake any physical activity on health and safety grounds. The school follows the Association of Physical Education guidelines.

Consideration will be made for jewellery in exceptional circumstances such as relating to cultural, religious or medical reasons

The wearing of make-up and nail varnish is not allowed.

Extreme Haircuts

The school does not permit children to have extreme haircuts or dyed hair that could serve as a distraction to other children.

Footwear

Roseberry Primary wants all children to grow into healthy adults. We believe that it is dangerous for children to wear shoes or boots that have platform soles or high heels. We require all children to wear black footwear as stated in the uniform list. The only exception to this is during inclement weather conditions, when it may be more appropriate to wear boots or wellies. During hot weather, sandals may be worn to school. Children are expected to wear either socks or tights with their shoes as not wearing such items may cause damage to their feet in the long term.

Plimsolls are recommended for indoor P.E. For outdoor PE children will require sports trainers (not fashion trainers) that can be tied appropriately to avoid injury during physical activity. If black trainers are worn for school then another pair of trainers should be worn for P.E.

The Role of Parents

We ask all parents who send their children to Roseberry Primary, 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. One of the responsibilities of parents is to ensure that their child has the correct uniform, and that it is clean and in good repair. Items of clothing should be labelled with the child's name. It is important that every child brings the appropriate P.E. kit into school on a weekly basis so we respectfully request that parents ensure their children have their P.E. kit or swimming things on the correct day.

If any parents would like to discuss the uniform policy they should make representation in the first instance, to the Headteacher. The school welcomes children from all backgrounds and faith communities. If there are any serious reasons, for example, on religious grounds, why parents want their child to wear clothes that differ from the school uniform, the school will look sympathetically at such requests.

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.

Monitoring and Review

The governing body monitors and reviews the school uniform policy through its committee work and 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.
- Requiring the Headteacher to report to the governors on the way the school uniform policy is implemented.

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