

Alumwell Infant School



Learn, Grow and Achieve

Uniform Policy

Signed by The Chair of The Governing Board:	
Signed copy available in school office	
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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;

Expectations

We expect all pupils to comply with this uniform policy, which will be monitored. Any pupil who falls short of these requirements will be advised of this fact by their class teacher and given the opportunity to improve. Continued failure to comply will be brought to the attention of the Head Teacher

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.

The Role of Governors

The governing body supports the Head Teacher in implementing 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. Governors ensure that the school Uniform Policy enables children to dress sensibly, in clothing that is hardwearing, safe and practical.

Where to buy School uniform

As we do not have a logo on our uniform parents can purchase school uniform from any store/supermarket/market.

School Uniform List

- Red jumper/sweatshirt or cardigan (no logo)
- Grey trousers/skirt/pinafore
- White shirt/blouse/polo shirt
- Plain tights/socks
- Black shoes



In warmer weather, such as during the summer term, the above items can be substituted with:

- Grey shorts
- Red checked dress

P.E. Kit

- Black shorts
- Plain red t-shirt or polo shirt (no logo)
- Rubber soled pumps
- Drawstring pump bag

All items of clothing should be clearly labelled with the child's name.

Headscarves/Hijjab

These may be worn for religious reasons but must be in school colours – black or red

Jewellery

It is not appropriate for children to wear jewellery except an inexpensive watch or a pair of small plain stud earrings. These should be removed on P.E. days. School does not take responsibility for lost watches or jewellery.

Hairstyles

Hairstyles should be appropriate for school. All long hair (shoulder length or longer) should be tied back. Headbands or hair bobbles should be plain black or red.

Staff should

- Set a good example in terms of professional dress.
- Remember that in our respective roles we serve the local community as a set of professionals.
- The appropriate footwear e.g. trainers, must be worn for all PE lessons for safety reasons. Similarly, tracksuits and sports clothing are recommended for these lessons.
- The Head Teacher will use his/her discretion to advise anyone who is unsure or needs further information regarding his/her code of dress.

Role of the Governing Board

- The Governing Board should be receptive to any reasonable complaint from parents or carers concerning uniform, handling it respectfully, and should consider fully the issues they raise. Governors should aim to work with parents to arrive at a mutually acceptable outcome.

- The school will follow the DFE guidelines and not consider exclusion from the school where a pupil fails to comply with the school's rules on uniform.

Role of the Parents/Guardians

- To ensure that their child / children adhere to the school's uniform policy and uphold the high standards of dress and appearance set by the school
- Ensure that they come to school in uniform everyday unless there are special circumstances such as events, school visits or charity fundraising.
- Parents and carers should raise any complaints about the school uniform and dress codes with the Governing Board following the school's complaints procedure.

Racial Equality & Equal Opportunities

All children have equal access to wearing school uniform regardless of their culture, race, religion, gender, disability or ability. We ensure that the set uniform respects other policies and allows for individual sets of circumstances of all groups and individuals.

Monitoring and Review

The governing body monitors and reviews the school uniform policy every two years.