



# Highfields Primary Academy Policy on School Uniform

## 1 Introduction

1.1 It is our policy that all children should wear school uniform 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 school uniform in our school prospectus.

## 2 Aims and Objectives

2.1 Our policy is based on the notion 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;
- makes children feel equal to their peers in terms of appearance;
- is regarded as suitable, and good value for money, by most parents and carers;
- has been designed with health and safety in mind.

## 3 Jewellery and Make-Up

3.1 On health and safety grounds, we do not allow children to wear jewellery in our school. The exceptions to this rule are simple ear-ring studs in pierced ears, limited to one stud in each ear and a wrist watch. Children **must** remove these during PE and games. Children **must** be able to remove their own ear-rings or not wear them to school on days when they have PE. Please avoid having ears pierced during term time or during the shorter holidays as this causes issues when needing to be removed for PE.

3.2 No make-up is to be worn (this includes nail varnish), or temporary tattoos.

## 4 Haircuts

4.1 The school does not permit children to have hair extensions, non-natural colour hair dyes, patterns shaved into the hair.

4.2 All long hair (shoulder length or longer) **must** be tied back and off the face.

4.3 Hair accessories are to be kept to a discreet minimum - neither large bows nor headbands with decorative pieces are allowed.



## **5 Footwear**

5.1 The school wants all children to grow into healthy adults. We believe that it is dangerous for children to wear shoes with platform soles or high heels in school, so we do not allow this. Neither do we allow children to wear trainers to school. We require all children to wear the types of shoe described in the uniform list. No boots.

## **6 The role of parents and carers**

6.1 We ask all parents and carers who send their children to our school to support the school uniform policy. We believe that parents and carers have a duty to send their children to school correctly dressed and ready for their daily schoolwork. Parents and carers should ensure that their child has the correct uniform, and that it is clean and in good repair.

6.2 If any parent would like the school to modify 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 serious reasons, e.g. religious objections, why parents and carers 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, then parents and carers are invited to draw this to the attention of the headteacher. The school will not treat pupils with disabilities unfavourably.

## **7 The Role of the Headteacher and Governing Body**

7.1 Any decisions around variations and implementation of the uniform policy lies with the headteacher. The headteacher's decision is final.

7.2 The governing body supports the headteacher in implementing the school uniform policy.

7.3 It is the governors' responsibility to ensure that the school uniform meets all national regulations concerning equal opportunities, and that our school uniform policy is consistent with our policy on equal opportunities.

7.3 Governors ensure that the school uniform policy helps children to dress sensibly, in clothing that is hardwearing, safe and practical.

## **8 Review**

8.1 This policy will be reviewed by the governing body every two years, or earlier if considered necessary.



## Highfields Primary Academy – School Uniform List

- V-neck knitted School Jumper/Cardigan/Tanktop **with** school logo – Purple (*from Uniform Plus or A&J Designs – see below*)
- Shirt/Blouse – White (*No polo shirts*)
- Highfields School Tie – elasticated, standard or clip on
- Trousers/Skirts – Grey (*skirts must be no shorter than knee length*)
- Shorts – Grey (*shorts must be no shorter than mid-thigh*)
- Socks – Black, Grey or White
- Tights – Black/Grey
- Shoes – suitable black flat school shoes (no boots or heels)
- Purple striped or check summer dresses

### Indoor PE/Games Kit

Plain Tee Shirts (colours as per house team – these can have a school logo but not essential)

Black shorts

Black pumps (trainers are not allowed for indoor PE/Games)

### Outdoor PE/Games Kit

Tracksuits for outdoor games – with the exception of Reception Class (school tracksuit available but not essential)

Trainers

### House colours

Horse Chestnut – Blue

Sycamore – Red

Oak – Green

### No jeans or denims to be worn

### Tracksuits for outdoor PE/Games only

### Additional, Optional Items

- Book bag with school logo - Purple
- PE pull string bag with logo – Purple
- Shower proof, fleece lined jacket with Logo – Purple
- Fleece with school logo – Purple
- Sun cap with school logo – Purple
- Back pack type school bag with logo – Purple
- Baseball cap/beanie hat – with logo



School Uniform is available from Uniform Plus in Burntwood Town Shopping Centre and A&J Designs, Apex Business Park, Units 1, Walsall Road, Cannock, WS11 9PU  
(also online at <http://www.a4jdesigns.co.uk/content/aj954> )