



ALLENDALE PRIMARY SCHOOL

UNIFORM POLICY

Aims:

We expect that the pupils of Allendale Primary School will wear appropriate clothing in the colours of our school. Our policy is based on the belief that our school uniform:

- Promotes a sense of pride in the school
- Fosters a sense of community and belonging
- Is practical and distinctive
- Identifies children with the school
- Makes children feel equal with one another in terms of appearance
- Is not distracting in class or around school, (as fashion clothing might be)
- Encourages the children to take pride in both their appearance and their school
- Is regarded as suitable and good value for money by parents

Our uniform from Nursery to Year 6:

- Grey or black trousers, skirt or pinafore dress, (jeans are not allowed)
- White shirt or polo shirt
- Red sweatshirt, jumper or cardigan
- Red fleece, (optional)
- Red waterproof jacket, (optional)
- Grey or black knee length shorts
- Red gingham dress

Shoes:

- Flat, sensible school shoes, (**trainers are not allowed**), which enable the children to have active playtimes
- Flat sandals are acceptable in summer, but must be fit for school activities.

P.E.

- Navy blue polo shirt or plain t-shirt
- Navy blue shorts
- Trainers / sand shoes
- Navy blue hoody, (optional)
- Dark coloured tracksuit or jogging bottoms, (optional but recommended for winter)
- PE bag to keep PE uniform in at school

All uniform can be ordered and purchased from the school office. We offer a selection of pre loved uniform for which a parental donation is requested.

Please label all school uniform with your child's name. This is especially important as uniform items look similar and can easily be confused for another child's. The school cannot accept responsibility for any lost items.

Appearance:

On health and safety grounds we do not allow children to wear jewellery to school except for small plain studs and watches, which must be removed for PE activities. No watches which can connect to the internet or take photos are allowed – this is part of the annual Acceptable Use agreement.

Children with long hair should tie it back for school. This is for health and safety reasons and to help prevent any transfer of head lice between pupils.

Extreme hairstyles are not appropriate for school, Trim lines and designs should not be shaved into hair during term time.

Nail varnish should not be worn during school time. Where nails have been painted for special occasions or school events, a couple of days grace will be given to remove the polish.

Role of Teachers and support staff

- Set a good example in terms of dress
- Remember that we serve the local community as a set of professionals
- To remind the children to wear school uniform. The class teacher will speak to children or parents of children who do not wear the correct uniform
- To inform the headteacher if children continually attend school not wearing school uniform

Role of Headteacher

- The headteacher has a duty to enforce the school uniform policy throughout the school community as part of the duty within maintenance of day to day discipline in the school
- The headteacher will ensure that pupils comply with the uniform policy agreed by the Governing Body

Role of Parents / Carers

- To ensure that their child / children adhere to the school's uniform policy
- To ensure that all uniform is labelled correctly and clearly

Equalities

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 is affordable and respects other policies such as Equalities and allows for individual sets of circumstances of all groups and individuals. We believe that wearing school uniform reinforces the ethos and values of our school and allows children to be part of our nurturing and caring community. Although branded uniform is available to order, there is no requirement to wear any item of school uniform that is branded.