



Moorfield Primary School

School Uniform Policy

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1. Introduction

Our uniform policy reflects our values and reinforces our school's culture of high expectations and academic achievement. All pupils must dress according to the uniform policy. Our school uniform is important to us. It is one way in which we identify ourselves as school community and so promote a strong, cohesive school identity which supports high standards and expectations in all areas of school life. It promotes harmony between different groups represented in the school and enhances security.

Moorfield Primary School's uniform was designed with through consultation with parents and help of our children, staff and governors.

We have ensured that our uniform is cost effective. Items without the school badge can be sourced from a range of different, local shops so that it is not placing an unnecessary burden on our families. Logoed items of uniform can be [purchased at Boydell's, Widnes.

Smartness and high standards of appearance are always expected. We ask that all children wear the uniform and encourage them to maintain a good standard of clean and tidy dress in school. In addition, please label all items of school uniform.

2. Aims and purpose

We have a required school uniform for several reasons:

- Our uniform unites the school. Pupils make a commitment that when they put on their uniform they will abide by the rules of the community.
- Uniforms reduce distractions. We are focused on achieving success. When pupils are allowed to wear their own clothing, there is the potential to talk about fashions and styles rather than learning.
- Uniforms look professional. Pupils look prepared to learn.
- Uniforms make us equal. Pupils come to school looking the same way. No one feels a pressure to wear a type of fashionable clothing.

Our uniform is always complimented by visitors into our School. Children, parents, staff and governors are very proud of our uniform and always try very hard to ensure high standards of presentation. It sets a very positive tone for belonging to our Moorfield family, identity and excellent behaviour.

Parents and carers are expected to support our Uniform Policy by signing our Home School agreement on starting school. Parents/carers support our school Staff's decision on whether clothing is in line with our Policy or not.

Please note that Moorfield Primary School is the final arbiter of the appearance of pupils.

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 such as equality, race relations, sex discrimination and allows for individual sets of circumstances of all groups and individuals.

3 . Uniform Details

Autumn (Sept-Easter)

White long/short sleeved shirt and school tie
Navy blue V-necked jumper with school logo
Grey short/long, tailored trousers (No slim/skinny fit trousers)
Grey socks
Black flat heeled shoes (Not trainers)

During summer:

Long/short sleeved white shirt and school tie
Grey short/long, tailored trousers (No slim/skinny fit trousers)
Grey socks
Plain navy blue cap
Black flat heeled shoes (Not trainers)

Autumn (Sept- Easter)

White long/short sleeved shirt and school tie
Navy blue school cardigan or jumper with school logo
Red/blue checked skirt or kilt skirt/approved, tailored slate grey school trousers
Plain navy socks or tights
Black flat heeled shoes (Not trainers)

During summer:

Pale blue, gingham dress or culottes (No playsuits)
Long/short sleeved, white shirt and tie/skirt or grey knee length tailored shorts
White socks/white sandals (optional)
Black flat heeled shoes (not trainers)

PE Kit.

Your child will need:

Indoor/warm weather PE kit – White school T-shirt with logo (plain white T-shirt is acceptable) and school navy shorts. A change of socks is also required ie white ankle socks. Black canvas pumps.

Outdoor/cold weather PE kit – Navy school hoodie with logo (optional -available from approved suppliers) and navy plain jogging bottoms (optional -available from supermarket/ other outlets) NOT leggings, NOT tracksuit pants and NOT branded/fashion makes. All black trainers – not logoed. A change of socks is also required i.e. white ankle socks Children will not be allowed to wear jumpers and cardigans for outdoor PE lessons.

School will provide black, canvas plimsolls for those children do not follow our school trainer policy.

School strongly discourages the wearing of expensive fashion coats/jackets since school cannot take the responsibility for loss or damage of these items of clothing. We expect the children to bring a coat to school at all times, including during the summer.

Summer dress



4. Bags and belongings

Any bags brought to school should either be the school rucksack, school draw-string pump bag, school book bag or an alternative of the same size. Any other size bags cannot be accommodated. Please see images below:

Ruck sack – height - 30cm Width 25cm



5. Hats, headscarves or headwear

Pupils are not allowed to wear hats, headscarves, or any other head covering inside the school building unless it is due to religious, medical, or cultural reasons. A school hat with Moorfield logo is available for both summer and winter outdoor wear.

6. Hairstyles

Pupils' hair should be neatly groomed at all times. Long hair for ALL pupils should be tied back neatly using bobbles or ribbons in school colours (blue or red). Large fashion bows/accessories are NOT permitted. This is not only for reasons of smartness, appearance and health and safety.

Pupils' faces should not be obscured as the teacher may not be able to judge their engagement with learning and to secure their participation in discussions and practical activities. This means any long fringes needs to be clipped back or tied back.

Pupils may not wear extreme hairstyles ie: tram lines, designs or words cut into their hair or permanent or temporary coloured hair.

7. Fingernail Polish or make-up

Pupils are not allowed to wear fingernail polish or false nails. Make-up and/or false tan is not allowed. There will be a request to remove these items. Failure to do so may result in a sanction.

8. Footwear

Pupils must wear closed-toed, hard-soled, **all black** plain shoes with flat sole. Footwear with flashing lights is not appropriate for school. If they flash, they must be turned off or the batteries removed. Boots are not allowed.

Open-toed sandals should not be worn, even in the Summer Term.

High heels or wedges are not permitted in school.

Flip flops are not permitted in school.

Permitted footwear



Unacceptable footwear



9. Jewellery/Accessories

As stated on previous correspondence and newsletters, jewellery, other than an analogue wrist watch (no sound effects or games), digital or Apple/smart watches are not permitted. If your child is having his/her ears pierced, please ensure that this is done at the beginning of the summer break to give time for ears to heal so that **earrings can be left out whilst your child is at school.**

Please note that the school will be unable to take responsibility for any watches that are lost.

10. Naming clothing and property

VERY IMPORTANT – Please ensure all clothing and property is clearly marked so that lost articles may be easily traced and returned. The school cannot accept responsibility for loss or damage of pupils' property and valuables.

11. Lost property

All mislaid items are placed in the lost property basket. Please ask the school office if you wish to look through this basket. We endeavor to return all named property. All unclaimed lost property is disposed of at the end of term and given to a local children's charity.

12. Recycled uniform

In line with our recycling policy, school holds a range of donated uniform items that have been cleaned and ironed, that parents can take free of charge.

13. Mobile phones

Mobile phones are not allowed in school unless there is a prior agreement with the parent/carer for children in Year 5 and 6. This will be in exceptional circumstances only. Phones will not be allowed to be used on school property. Any inappropriate use may result in a ban and will be confiscated.

14. Non compliance and sanctions

Pupils who do not adhere to Moorfield Primary Schools Policy may face appropriate sanctions. These could include missing playtimes and dinner times, report card, phone calls to parents/carers, an internal exclusion or in extreme cases, an external exclusion.

Procedures:

- Pupils will be required to provide a note, email or a phone call from home if they are unable to fulfil any of the requirements of this policy. The letter needs to state when the pupil will have the correct uniform. This must be an agreed short and reasonable amount of time.
- If a pupil fails to provide a note or alternative communication, a phone call home will be made by the class teacher on that day in order to find out when the correct uniform will be worn
- Pupils who wear unacceptable footwear for any reason should bring a note from home and will be expected to rectify the situation within a reasonable short period of time working days. In the interim, school will provide a pair of black canvas plimsolls, to be worn in school.

NB. The school has used the **DfE non-statutory guidance** on school uniform and agrees with the guidance given in the DfE booklet which states:

'The school uniform plays a valuable role in contributing to the ethos of a school and setting an appropriate tone. The Department strongly encourages schools to have a uniform as it can instill pride; support positive behaviour and discipline; encourage identity with, and support for, school's ethos; ensure pupils of all races and backgrounds feel welcome; protect children from social pressures to dress in a particular way; and nurture cohesion and promote good relations between different groups of pupils. The Department also encourages schools to have a very clear position about appearance such as hair colour, style and length and the wearing of jewelry and make-up.'