

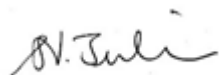
King's Cliffe Endowed Primary School

Uniform Policy

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Chair of Governors:



(signed)

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Introduction

The Governing Body believe that a smart uniform is an essential part of the ethos of the school and helps to promote a learning environment of high expectations. The uniform items fulfil the criteria of clothing that is suitable, affordable, practical and purposeful for an effective learning and teaching setting in a safe and healthy environment.

A detailed list of the school uniform is on the website and can be found in Appendix 1.

Aims

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

- Promotes a sense of pride in the school in line with our ethos;
- Engenders a sense of community and belonging towards the school;
- Supports positive behaviour and discipline;
- Is practical and smart;
- Identifies the children within the school;
- Prevents children from coming to school in fashion clothes that could be distracting in class or create a sense of competition;
- Makes children feel equal to their peers 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

On health and safety grounds we do not allow children to wear jewellery in our school. The exceptions to this rule are small, indistinct earring studs in pierced ears and if the child can tell the time, they may wear a small watch. We require earrings to be either removed during PE or covered with a plaster to prevent them from causing injury. Watches must be removed.

Footwear

Children are expected to come to school looking clean and smart each day. Fashion wear and styles are not part of our school uniform. It is our policy that, in school, children should only wear shoes with a low heel. Platform soles, high heels, boots, wheelies, crocs, flip flops, trainers and open toed shoes or sandals are not considered to be suitable for school uniform. Trainers should only be worn for outdoor PE as we believe that this footwear is not in keeping with the smart appearance of a school uniform.

Hair

All children, girls and boys, are requested to tie hair up when it is long enough to do so. This is for both health and safety reasons and to look smart and ready for school. Hair **must** be tied up in PE.

Please note the following school policy regarding hairstyles:

- Boys hair should not be cut any shorter than a number 2
- Shaven hair, hair dye and colour in hair are not permitted
- Lines shaved into the hair are not permitted
- Patterns shaved into the hair are not permitted
- Hairstyles which are extreme, which includes hairstyles where the sides are much shorter than the top/back are not permitted
- Any hair which is shoulder length or longer must be tied back at all times (girls and boys)
- Any hair accessories must be small and red, grey, mustard, black or white
- Use of a small amount of hair gel to keep hair in place is acceptable; however, hair should not look wet with over use.

The Role of Parents

We ask all parents who send their children to our school 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 learning. 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.

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.

Financial Assistance

Application for financial assistance towards the purchase of school uniform can be made to the school via the school office. Applications are considered on individual family circumstances.

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.

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

The Governing Body accept their responsibilities under the Human Rights Act 1998 and the Equality Act 2010. Governors appreciate that the school uniform should not discriminate on grounds of sex, race, disability, religion or belief.

Complaints

Any complaints about school uniform should be made in the first instance to the Headteacher.

If the complaint is not satisfactorily resolved, the complaint should be brought to the attention of the Governing Body through the Clerk to the Governing Body. The Governing Body's decision will be final.

Monitoring and Review

The Governing Body monitors and reviews the school uniform policy 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.

Procedures for non-conformity

Step 1 – Polite message home reminding parents of the school uniform

Step 2 – Phone call from a member of the Senior Leadership Team requesting parents to bring in the item of school uniform required, or a request for parents to ensure hair styles, accessories, earrings etc. comply with the school policy

Step 3 – Phone call from the Head teacher and the offer of a meeting

Step 3 – Head teacher report to the governing body

We understand that during their time at our school some families may suffer hardship. If this is the case, families are encouraged to contact school and school will endeavour to work closely with families and support them in any way they can. Each case will be looked at on an individual basis.

Appendix 1 – Uniform List

Logoed uniform can be purchased from the suppliers listed below; both suppliers also stock a number of plain uniform items too, such as trousers and skirts. Please note that ties for KS2 can be purchased from the school office.

Total Clothing

Uniform can be ordered online at: www.yourclothingshop.com/kes

They also have a shop that you can visit at:

Total Clothing Ltd.

No 9 Botolph Trading Estate

Oundle Road

Peterborough

PE2 9QP

My Clothing

myclothing.com/kings-cliffe-endowed-primary-school/10450.school

Second hand uniform

Second hand uniform can be acquired from the PFA – please contact kcespfa@gmail.com

EYFS & KS1 (Pre-school to year 2)

Gold polo shirt with red logo

Red crew neck sweatshirt or cardigan with gold logo

Charcoal grey school trousers, shorts, skirt or pinafore

Pre-Schoolchildren have the option to wear black jogging bottoms/ leggings/ shorts

White or grey socks

Plain grey or red tights

Black shoes

During the warmer months girls can wear red gingham dresses. If your child wishes to wear sandals, please ensure they are a T-bar leather sandal with an enclosed toe and in school colours

Red, white or black hair ties

KS2 (year 3 to year 6)

White school shirt (no fashion shirts)

Red and gold tie (available from school)

Red knitted V-neck sweater or cardigan with gold logo

Charcoal grey school trousers, shorts, skirt or pinafore

White or grey socks

Plain grey or red tights

Black shoes

During the warmer months girls can wear red gingham dresses and short sleeved shirts for boys and girls (with tie) are permitted. If your child wishes to wear sandals, please ensure they are a T-bar leather sandal with an enclosed toe and in school colours

Red, white or black hair ties

PE Kit

Red cotton t-shirt with gold logo

Black PE shorts or skirt

Black plimsolls for indoor PE and black, grey or white trainers for outdoor PE

Additional items for outdoor PE kit:-

Black jogging bottoms with either a red hooded sweatshirt (with gold logo) and/or school fleece/sweatshirt/showerproof coat.