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Our values are at the HEART of our school

School Uniform Policy

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The Governors of Washingwell Primary School believe that a school uniform is an important contributor to the overall success of the school and therefore expect that the school uniform will be worn by all children. Our policy is that all children should wear clothing that is in keeping with a purposeful learning ethos.

Our policy is based on the belief that a school uniform:

- makes children feel equal to one another in terms of appearance
- promotes a sense of pride in the school
- engenders a feeling of belonging
- is practical and distinctive
- identifies the children with the school
- is not distracting in class (as fashion clothing might be)
- reflects the sense both of community and of diversity that the school takes pride in
- is regarded as suitable and good value for money, by parents.
- supports safety and hygiene

At Washingwell, we have adopted an active uniform policy because:

- children can concentrate better because they feel more comfortable
- children can move freely without restrictions
- children can participate in spontaneous active play and sport without changing clothes
- children will be ready to take part in PE, Forest School, lunch time clubs and after school clubs
- parents will not need to be contacted if PE days change
- traditional uniform is becoming more expensive
- children can feel included in affordable and practical clothing
- protects the modesty of the girls, particularly in the younger years

Our active school uniform is as follows:

Royal-blue round-neck t-shirt and/or royal-blue sports round neck t-shirt (school badge or plain)

Royal-blue hoody, sweatshirt, cardigan or zipped hoodie (school badge or plain)

Plain black joggers, leggings, shorts or skirt

Black trainers

Due to all of our children accessing the outdoor environment daily, it is expected that parents will also provide the following items to remain in school at all times:

Forest School & OPAL (Outdoor Play & Learning KS2) Activities
- Wellies - Hat - Gloves - Waterproof trousers and jacket.

All clothing should be clearly labelled 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.

Purchasing School Uniform

Washingwell Primary School uniform items may be purchased from Logos Unlimited Workwear and Schoolwear which is located on the Team Valley

Unit C, Block 320 Mayoral Way, Team Valley Trading Estate, Gateshead, NE11 0RT

0191 4884300, <https://logosworkwearschoolwear.com>

Uniform with school logo is not compulsory.

Uniform Recycling Scheme

We are also part of a uniform recycling scheme, Gateshead West Uniform Scheme, which holds markets at Blaydon, across the year. Dates of these markets are shared on our weekly newsletter.

Hair and Jewellery

- Hair should always be tied back once it approaches shoulder length.
- Pupils should use discrete, plain bobbles and hairbands with school uniform colours.
- For reasons of health and safety, the wearing of jewellery of any form is not allowed, which includes spacers in ears.

Role of the school staff

- Set a good example in terms of dress.
- Remember that in our respective roles we serve the local community as a set of professionals.
- To remind children to wear school uniform. The class teacher will speak to parents of children who do not wear the correct uniform.

Role of the Head Teacher

- To ensure that pupils comply with the uniform policy agreed by the governing body.
- To enforce the school uniform throughout the school community, as part of the duty within the day-to-day discipline in the school.
- To speak to the parents of children who persistently do not wear the correct uniform.

Role of the Parents/Guardians

- To ensure that their child / children adhere to the school's uniform policy.
- Ensure that children come to school in uniform every day unless there are special circumstances such as non-uniform days.
- To ensure that all uniform is labelled correctly and clearly.

The governing body recognises its obligations to accommodate reasonable religious requirements within the official school uniform and to ensure it is not discriminatory on the grounds of gender, race, religion or belief.

Non-Adherence

The governing body will insist that the school is considerate and discreet when trying to establish why a pupil is not adhering to the school's uniform policy. The school will work with parents and carers to find acceptable solutions that will help the pupil adhere to the uniform policy.

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 respects other policies such as Equalities and allows for individual sets of circumstances of all groups and individuals. Washingwell Primary School is committed to creating a positive climate that will enable everyone to work free from racial intimidation and harassment and to achieve their full potential.

