# School Uniform Policy 2023-26

#### Introduction

It is our school policy that all children in our school, including nursery, wear uniform when attending school, or when participating in a school organised event outside normal school hours. A complete list of the items needed for school uniform is detailed in this policy and also in our school prospectus. School uniform is available through local retailers (with or without the school logo).

Whilst wearing school uniform children are expected to behave in a manner which positively reflects the school at all times. The Governing Body at Foxhill Primary school will respect variations to our school uniform if they are directly related to established religious or cultural traditions or a specific medical need. However, any variation will be dealt with on an individual basis and judgements will remain at the discretion of the Head Teacher and the Governing Body.

# Aims and Objectives

Our school uniform is important to us. It is one way in which we identify ourselves as a school family and it promotes a strong, cohesive school identity which supports high standards and expectations in all areas of school life. Our policy on school uniform is based on the notion that school uniform:

- promotes a sense of pride in the school;
- encourages a sense of community and belonging towards the school;
- is practical and smart
- · identifies the children with the school;
- is cost effective and promotes a sense of unity between all children.

## Jewellery and watches

On health and safety grounds, children are not allowed to wear jewellery or watches in our school, with the exceptions of small ear studs in pierced ears. Other body piercings are not allowed.

## **Smartwatches**

Pupils are not permitted to wear Smart Watches or other similar style watches with internet connectivity for safeguarding reasons. These are not suitable for wearing in school for a number of reasons. Many of these watches have internet connectivity and cameras, which if used within school could pose a safeguarding risk. They are also costly items, which could easily be damaged or go missing when the children have to remove them.

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#### Extreme Haircuts

The school does not permit children to have 'extreme' haircuts or nonnatural hair colours that could serve as a distraction to other children. Children should not wear colourful, unnecessary and distracting hair adornments. Hair adornments should be limited to a small bow or clip. Long hair needs to be tied back at all times.

# Make Up

No make-up, nail varnish or permanent or temporary tattoos are to be worn.

#### Footwear

We expect all children to wear plain flat black shoes or trainers in school

# Purchasing

Foxhill Primary school logoed uniform can be brought from:

My Clothing: <a href="https://myclothing.com/collections/foxhill-primary-school-6977">https://myclothing.com/collections/foxhill-primary-school-6977</a>

Or locally from Embroidery in House, Highgate Road, Clayton Heights, Bradford. BD13 1D5

# Nursery- Year 4

- White/red polo shirt (tucked in)
- Red sweatshirt or cardigan
- Plain black tailored trousers, skirt (knee length), or pinafore (knee length)
- Plain tights in black only
- Plain socks in black or white
- Plain black flat shoes (See above)

#### Year 5- 6

- Logoed blazers
- Plain white shirt
- School tie
- Plain black tailored trousers, skirt(knee length), or pinafore (knee length)

## Summer Options

- · Plain black tailored school shorts
- Red gingham dresses (knee length)

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# PE kit - Reception to Year 6

On days when children have PE we ask that they come to and from school wearing PE kits which consists of:

- White round neck t-shirt (Logo optional)
- Plain black shorts / Plain black joggers (weather dependent)
- Plain black sweatshirt / training top
- Suitable trainers

# PE kit - Nursery

Trainers to be kept in School to change into for PE sessions

# Optional items

- School logo Fleece jackets (For outdoor wear only)
- Baseball caps or summer hat

We strongly advise that all uniform must be clearly labelled with the pupil's name.

If parents are unsure about any items of school uniform, they should contact the school for clarification.

## The Role of Parents

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.

## The Role of the Headteacher and Governors

The headteacher is responsible for the implementation of this policy, with the support of the governing body.

#### School Uniform Assistance

Within its consultation on the Council's Budget, the Council Executive proposed that the Council cease to provide financial assistance to families in meeting the cost of school uniforms. A final decision to cease this assistance, from 31 March 2014, was made by the Council on 20 February 2014.

In response to this, Foxhill Primary School has taken the decision to support vulnerable families in meeting the costs of uniforms.

School Uniform Assistance at Foxhill Primary School is a voucher worth £25 per child that can be spent on school clothing, through the school supplier only. (Embroidery in House or My Clothing) Please note these

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vouchers are issued once per financial year (during the Summer Term) and are not transferrable to any other suppliers.

School Uniform Assistance eligibility criteria are as follows:

- This scheme applies at Foxhill Primary School to children from Reception to Year 6.
- Parents / guardians must be in receipt of one of the following benefits:

Child Tax Credit, (but not Working Tax Credit) and have an annual income (as assessed by HM Revenue & Customs) that does not exceed the current national allowance level.

- Income Support.
- Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance.
- · Income-related Employment and Support Allowance.
- The Guarantee element of State Pension Credit.
- Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999.

#### Further Details:

The budget for the School Uniform Assistance scheme will come from Pupil Premium funding. Eligibility shall be determined by checking original documents from the relevant authority detailing the receipt of the benefit.

Vouchers can be collected from the school office during the first week of July.

# Recycled Uniform Shop

In addition to the Voucher Scheme, the school also runs a regular 'Recycled Uniform Shop'. All items are good quality and are washed prior to being sold. These are sold at a cost of £1 per item. We are always grateful for donations of uniform towards this initiative which supports families at Foxhill Primary School.

This Policy will be reviewed every three years or earlier if required.

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