



Skipsea School Uniform Policy

Autumn 2018

Aim:

Our school uniform policy is based on the notion that a school uniform promotes a sense of pride in the school, looks smart and is practical, and makes children feel equal to their peers in terms of appearance. Its aim 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:

- 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)
- makes children feel equal to one another in terms of appearance
- reflects the sense both of community and of diversity that the school takes pride in

Collaboration:

Our school uniform has been written following collaboration with Hornsea Community Primary School and Hornsea Burton Primary School so that cluster schools have a similar policy regarding school uniform.

School Uniform

All children from Reception to Year 6 are expected to wear the school uniform.

Samples of school uniform are available for parents to look at and sweatshirts, cardigans, fleeces, book bags, and P.E. bags are available for purchase from the school office. Our colours are:

Burgundy - Sweatshirts (with school logo) or cardigans or jumpers

White - Polo shirts

Grey/Black - Trousers, skirts, pinafore dresses, and if tights are worn with skirts or pinafore dresses then they should be plain black/grey (but not leggings)

In summer pupils may wear pink gingham dresses.

All children from Nursery to Year 6 are expected to wear school uniform.

Footwear

We ask that children have sensible shoes in a dark colour, preferably not trainers. Indoor shoes (black plimsolls/sand shoes) are needed to change into. Trainers are needed for outdoor P.E. and games.

P.E. Kit

Indoor PE is usually undertaken in bare feet or occasionally in black sandshoes or plimsolls; this depends on the nature of the activity being undertaken.

Children should have a change of clothing for PE. We ask that children wear a plain white t-shirt and plain navy/black shorts.

Outdoor PE kit consists of warm tracksuit bottoms and a tracksuit top. These should be plain navy, black or grey. A separate pair of PE trainers is required. These can be any colour. Kit may get dirty and therefore expensive items are undesirable.

Football/rugby strips are not allowed.

All removable articles of clothing should be clearly marked with the owner's name.

Children not having suitable PE kit with them for a lesson may not be allowed to participate in the activity and may be asked to complete alternative work in another class for the duration of the lesson.

Jewellery (including watches)

Apart from watches and small stud earrings, jewellery is not allowed in school for safety reasons. If stud earrings are worn and cannot be removed, they must be taped over for P.E. Parents and Carers will be asked to provide the tape for their child otherwise school staff will issue the child with plasters to use to tape over their studs.

Hairstyles

We prefer children to have sensible hairstyles that are suitable and safe for school. Dramatic hairstyles or brightly dyed hair can draw attention to the child and can encourage behavioural issues so we ask Parents not to send children to school with such hairstyles or brightly dyed hair unless it has been agreed for a one off school event for raising money for a charity. Very long hair can be problematic when children are playing so it is better if it is tied back in a band, and **must be** tied back for PE lessons. If a child does not have something to tie their hair back for PE, then staff will provide an elastic band. Depending on the activity, for health and safety purposes, pupils may be asked to tie their hair back in other subjects too. This also helps prevent the dreaded head lice!! Hair accessories should be plain and discrete.

Make-up and nail varnish

The wearing of make up and nail varnish (on fingers and/or toes) is not permitted by any pupil at any time.

The Role of Parents

We ask all parents who send their children to Skipsea Primary 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 work. 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.

What if a pupil does not wear the correct uniform?

The Head teacher will decide what is to be done if a pupil's appearance is judged to be inappropriate. If any pupil arrives at school dressed inappropriately, they will either be asked to change what they are wearing or be given a shared-use uniform to wear for the rest of day. The Head teacher is responsible for enforcing the Skipsea uniform policy and has the full support of the school's governors.

Policy review date: Summer 2019