



Uniform Policy



Introduction

At Moulton Chapel Primary we pride ourselves in being smart, well-presented and ready for learning. It is our school policy that all children wear school uniform when attending school, or when participating in school-organised events outside normal school hours. We ask children to wear their shirts tucked into their skirts, shorts or trousers and to take a pride in their appearance.

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Our policy on school uniform is based on the belief that we are pleased to wear a uniform that:

- 👉 promotes a sense of pride in our school*
- 👉 helps to create a sense of community and belonging towards our school*
- 👉 identifies pupils from our school*
- 👉 supports the school's commitment to inclusion*
- 👉 prevents pupils from wearing 'fashion clothes' that could be distracting in class*
- 👉 is practical, smart, and designed with health and safety in mind*
- 👉 is considered to be good value for money*

Hair, jewellery, make up and nail varnish

For many reasons, including safety, we ask for children's hair to be tied back, if it is of a length that can be. If a child has attended school and forgotten to do this then we will provide them with a new, unused bobble to do this, that they keep. The only jewellery items children are only permitted to wear are small ear-ring studs in pierced ears, any other jewellery items that are worn for religious reasons, should be brought to the attention of the school. Children are required to remove them for PE sessions to prevent causing injury.

Please note: Staff are not permitted to remove earrings.

Make up and nail varnish should not be worn at school.

Footwear

*For health and safety reasons we do not allow children to wear shoes with a platform sole or high heel. All children are required to wear plain black shoes, preferably with a buckle or Velcro fastening (for ease of securing on foot) if your child wears laced up shoes, parents should teach their child how to tie their laces correctly. Wearing a leather type sandal with a sound ankle and toe strap may be worn during the summer term. These **MUST** be worn with socks and parents should be aware of the potential hazard of injury in the case of open toed sandals. If boots are to be worn, they should also be black in colour and children should change into shoes or plimsolls when they get to school if sitting on the carpet in boots is uncomfortable for them or if the boots are very muddy. Because we have a large field to use at school, it is important that the children have a **named** pair of wellies, that are to be kept in their locker, at school if required.*

The role of parents

*We believe that one of the responsibilities of parents is to ensure that their child has the correct uniform and PE kit, and that it is clean, in good condition and the **child's name is visibly labelled on all items**. Parents are encouraged to dress their child in a logo sweatshirt/cardigan in order to make them easily identifiable and to promote that sense of belonging. These can be purchased at Nationwide School Uniforms. A sweater or cardigan without the school logo can be purchased at*

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local supermarkets. If a parent has difficulties for any reason with fulfilling this request, they are asked to speak, confidentially, to the Headteacher to discuss the issues. Parents should be assured we will do all we can to help. We have a good stock of pre-loved uniform that is available if parents contact the office, and it is periodically set out for parents to update their uniform stock.

Additional support is available for parents of children who are in receipt of Free School Meals.

Children who arrive at school wearing non-school uniform will be loaned appropriate items from our pre-loved items to wear for the day if possible. The same system will be applied if the child does not have appropriate PE kit with them.

The school welcomes children from all backgrounds and faith communities. If there is a serious reason, for example religious grounds, why parents want their child to wear clothes that differ from the school uniform, their request will be considered sympathetically, and they should contact the Headteacher to discuss this in the first instance.

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. It is the Governors' responsibility to ensure that the school uniform enables children to dress sensibly, in clothing that is hardwearing, safe and practical.

The Governing body will monitor and review this policy by considering, with the Headteacher, any requests from parents for individual children to have special dispensation with regard to the agreed uniform.

The role of school staff

We will:

- Provide a copy of this policy to all parents and ensure it is available on our school website
- Discuss with children the importance and requirements of our school uniform
- Accept **reasonable** explanations should the school uniform not be worn (this is at the discretion of the Headteacher)
- Ask children to remove stud earrings for PE sessions
- Send home a copy of this policy to individuals if there is persistent breaches of the policy

Our school uniform:

Coats – all children would wear a coat that is suitable and appropriate for the season and **should be named**. This does not have to be a school logo coat.

Caps – branded caps are not permitted in school and all children are issued with a school legionnaire hat for use in the hotter weather.

<u>GIRLS</u>	<u>BOYS</u>
<i>Blouse or polo shirt - white / sky blue</i> <i>Skirt / pinafore / trousers / shorts (not cords or jeans) - grey or black</i> <i>School sweatshirt / cardigan – royal blue</i> <u>Summer alternative</u> <i>Lightweight blue and white gingham dress / skirt and top</i>	<i>Shirt or polo shirt - White / sky blue</i> <i>Trousers / shorts (not cords or jeans) - grey or black</i> <i>School sweatshirt – royal blue</i>
PE kit <i>White or sky-blue crew neck t-shirt</i> <i>Plain black / navy shorts or skort</i> <i>Plain black or navy joggers</i> <i>Plain black or navy or school hoodie (overhead or zip through)</i> <i>Trainers or plimsolls – footwear needs to be suitable for outdoor PE</i> HAIR MUST BE TIED BACK FOR PE SESSIONS <i>School uniform items with the logo can be purchased through the school or through our school website or www.nationwideschooluniforms.co.uk</i>	

Examples of our uniform

