

# Uniform Policy 2023



Kindness



Focus



Creativity



Responsibility



Collaboration

# Principles

Our policy is that all children at New Wave Federation should wear clothing that is in keeping with a purposeful learning ethos. We also believe that certain school activities are facilitated by specialised and appropriate clothing (including organised events outside normal school hours).

We believe that a uniform creates a common identity amongst all pupils, regardless of background and acts as a social leveller, reduces bullying and peer pressure to wear the latest fashions or other expensive clothes.

To ensure that uniforms are affordable for all, branded items are kept to a minimum. School uniform items with a logo are available through yourschooluniform.com.

### Aims

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
- is regarded as suitable and good value for money by parents.

# The expectation for all children from Reception to Year 6 is that they attend school everyday in full school uniform.

# The expected uniform items to be worn are:

- blue Grazebrook/Shacklewell/Woodberry Down crewneck sweatshirt or sweatshirt cardigan with school logo
- light blue polo shirt (GB)/white polo shirt (SW/WD) with school logo
- black (GB) or grey (SW/WD) school trousers or knee length skirt or pinafore
- flat, black sensible school shoes (<u>shoes are to be plain with no coloured logos</u>)
  <u>Plain black trainers are acceptable</u>. Crocs or open toed sandals are not <u>acceptable</u>)
- during summer months, pupils may wear a blue gingham dress or black (GB)/grey (SW/WD) <u>knee length shorts</u>
- during winter months, children may wear wellington boots to school but these **MUST** be stored in a bag and indoor shoes worn whilst inside the building
- blue Grazebrook/Shacklewell/Woodberry Down book bag or rucksack
- optional blue Grazebrook/Shacklewell/Woodberry Down zip fleece and waterproof jacket

# For PE all children (Reception – Year 6) need:

- light blue (Grazebrook/Shacklewell)/white (Woodberry Down) round neck t-shirt with the school logo
- black PE shorts or tracksuit bottoms (GB/SW), plain navy (WD)
- black trainers/plimsolls.

<u>Children should come to school in their PE kit on PE days</u>. School PE kit should be worn for After School sporting clubs. All PE kit items should be free from any logo or brand name, apart from the school logo.

#### Jewellery and Headwear

We do not allow children to wear jewellery to school (except for small studs and watches). We do not allow headwear to be worn during class time or inside school buildings, except for religious or medical reasons.

**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.

#### **Role of Class teachers and Support Staff**

- To be good role models for all pupils
- To remember to dress professionally at all times.
- To remind children to wear school uniform. The classteacher will speak to children who do not wear the correct uniform. If children continually attend school wearing clothing which is deemed not to be uniform they will be referred to the Headteacher.

#### **Role of the Headteacher**

- The Headteacher is to ensure that pupils comply with the uniform policy agreed by the governing body.
- The Headteacher has a duty to enforce the school uniform throughout the school community, as part of the duty within maintenance of day to day discipline in the school.
- The Headteacher will speak to the parents of children who persistently do not wear the correct uniform.
- The school will follow the DfE guidelines and not consider exclusion from the school where a pupil fails to comply with the school's rules on uniform.

#### Role of the School to ensure uniform is accessible for all

- Encourage families to donate outgrown uniform to the school to be reused.
- Provide pre-used uniform, free of charge via the school website and school office.
- Make pre-used uniform available for families at school events throughout the year.
- Provide key items of new uniform to families in need of financial assistance as determined by the Headteacher.

#### Role of the Parents/Guardian

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

#### **Racial Equality & Equal Opportunity**

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. The New Wave Federation is committed to creating a positive climate that which enable everyone to work free from racial intimidation and harassment and to achieve their full potential.

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