



Old Hutton C of E Primary School

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School Uniform Policy

Introduction

It is Old Hutton CE Primary School's policy that all children wear school uniform when attending school, or when participating in a school-organised event outside normal school hours. The following is what we see as school uniform:

- A red sweatshirt. This will ideally be a school one with a school logo badge on it, but plain red sweatshirts, jumpers or cardigans are acceptable.
- A red or white polo shirt, ideally with the school logo.
- Grey or black skirt / pinafore / trousers / shorts / red and white gingham dress in summer.
- Plain black, grey, white or red socks or tights.
- Black shoes.
- Optional red fleece jacket with school logo badge.

In addition to this we would also like our children to wear school PE kits. These are not compulsory, but we expect children representing school at sporting events to wear it:

- A red t-shirt. This will ideally be a school one with a school logo badge on it, but plain red t-shirts are acceptable.
- Black shorts.
- Plain black, grey or blue jogging trousers which a school sweat shirt can be worn with.
- PE trainers, (which are not their school shoes,) or well-fitting black pumps.
(In addition to these, school has a stock of matching sports rain tops that pupils will be issued with for specific events.)

School uniform items may be ordered directly from our suppliers, Coniston Clothing, by going to:

www.conistonshop.com/Old-Hutton-CE-Primary-School_118/school/index.php

Items may also be ordered via the school office. Red school logo rucksacks are also available.

Aims and objectives

Our policy on school uniform is based on the notion that school uniform:

- promotes a sense of pride in the school;
- engenders a sense of community and belonging towards the school;
- is practical and smart;
- identifies the children with the school;
- prevents children from coming to school in fashion clothes that could be distracting in class;
- makes children feel equal to their peers in terms of appearance;
- is regarded as suitable wear for school and good value for money by most parents;
- is designed with health and safety in mind.

Jewellery

On health and safety grounds we do not allow children to wear jewellery in our school. The exceptions to this rule are plain earring studs in pierced ears. We ask the children to remove or cover these during PE and sports. **We would ask parents to think very carefully about when they get their child's ears pierced, if this is something they are considering doing, as the inability to remove studs means that they may not be able to fully participate in PE or outdoor and adventurous activities, so would be unable to access the full school curriculum.**

Extreme haircuts

The school does not permit children to have 'extreme' haircuts that could serve as a distraction to other children.

Footwear

The school wants all children to grow into healthy adults. We believe that it is dangerous for children to wear shoes that have platform soles or high heels, so we do not allow children to wear such shoes in our school. Ideally children will not wear trainers for school, although black trainers are acceptable. We require all children to wear black shoes as stated in the uniform list above.

The role of parents

We ask all parents who send their children to our Old Hutton CE School to abide by the school uniform policy. We believe that parents have a duty to send their children to school correctly dressed and ready for their daily schoolwork. 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.

If any parent would like the school to modify the uniform policy, they should make representation, in the first instance, to the head teacher. The school welcomes children from all backgrounds and faith communities. If there are serious reasons, for example on religious grounds, why parents want their child to wear clothes that differ from the school uniform, the school will look sympathetically at such requests.

The role of governors

The governing body supports the head teacher in implementing the school uniform policy. It considers all representations from parents regarding the uniform policy and liaises with the head teacher to ensure that the policy is implemented fairly and with sensitivity.

It is the governors' responsibility to ensure that the school uniform meets all regulations concerning equal opportunities.

Governors ensure that the school uniform policy helps children to dress sensibly, in clothing that is hardwearing, safe and practical.

Monitoring and review

The governing body monitors and reviews the school uniform policy through its work by:

- seeking the views of parents, to ensure that they agree with and support the policy;
- considering, with the head teacher, any requests from parents for individual children to have special dispensation with regard to school uniform;
- may require the head teacher to report to the governors on the way the school uniform policy is implemented if a specific incident arose.

This Policy reviewed & adopted by Governing Body: March 2015

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