



## School Uniform Policy

### Introduction

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 believe that school uniforms are important in establishing the right ethos in a school. They also help to give a sense of belonging and identity. Our uniform has been designed with the health and well-being of our children in mind as well as keeping cost to a minimum.

We require that children have a mid-layer top with the school logo on it so that they feel part of the 'Dinnington Family'. Other items of uniform with the school logo are available but are not compulsory and can be bought cheaply from local or high street stores.

A complete list of the items needed for school are printed overleaf.

### Aims and Objectives

Our policy on school uniform is based on the belief that school uniform

- promotes a sense of pride in our school
- is practical, smart and designed for well-being and all types of learning including active learning and sports.
- helps to create a sense of community and belonging towards the school
- supports our commitment to inclusion
- is considered good value for money

### Jewellery, Hair Ornaments, Make –up and Nail Varnish

For health and safety reasons we do not allow children to wear jewellery. The exceptions to this rule are earring studs in pierced ears and a watch. **Children are required to remove any items during PE lessons to prevent them from causing injury. Please note, teachers are not permitted to remove earrings and they cannot be covered with an elastoplast.**

Make up and nail varnish should not be worn to school unless for an out of school hours function, for example a school disco.

### Footwear

Children should have footwear that is comfortable and suitable for outdoor learning including outdoor activities such as the daily mile, forest school, PE. A supportive pair of trainers is ideal.

### The Role of Parents

We believe that one of the responsibilities of parents is to ensure that their child has the correct uniform, and that it is clean, in good repair and that the child's name is written on all items. If a parent has difficulties for any reason with fulfilling this request they are asked to

Speak confidentially to a member of staff to discuss the issues. 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 consider such requests sympathetically. If any parent would like to request a modification to the uniform policy they should, in the first instance, contact the headteacher.

### **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 meets all regulations concerning equal opportunities. Governors ensure that the school uniform policy enables children to dress sensibly in clothing that is hard wearing, safe and practical.

### **Monitoring and Review**

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

- seeking the views of parents, to ensure that they agree with and support the policy
- considering, with the headteacher, any requests from parents for individual children to adjustments to the uniform.

### **School Uniform List**

Our school uniform colour is a combination of navy and white. Most items can be bought from High Street shops.

Some items which have the school logo on, can be bought on line via our website, <http://www.dinnington.newcastle.sch.uk> and delivered to school.

The school office staff can give advice on any uniform queries including how to order uniform. [admin@dinnington.newcastle.sch.uk](mailto:admin@dinnington.newcastle.sch.uk) 01661 822457

- **Mid layer ¼ zip or full zip top (this is the only item we require to have the school logo)**
- **Navy or White polo shirt / Navy or white round neck t-shirt (available with logo)**
- **Navy tracksuit bottoms, navy leggings, navy shorts or navy skirt**
- **Plain white/navy short socks**

There are also other items available such as a waterproof coat. These are not compulsory. Checked summer dresses may also be worn – we recommend modesty shorts are worn underneath

Other items in our uniform range can be purchased from the school website. [Dinnington First School \(studentuniform.co.uk\)](http://Dinnington First School (studentuniform.co.uk))

**PE Kit is not necessary as the uniform is suitable for PE and outdoor activities.**