



FOXBOROUGH PRIMARY SCHOOL

SCHOOL UNIFORM POLICY

Policy confirmed by the Local Committee
of Foxborough Primary School

Ratified: September 2025

Approver: Chair of Governors

Signed:

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Next Review: September 2028

1 Introduction

It is Foxborough Primary School's procedure that all children wear school uniform when attending our school, or when participating in a school-organised event outside normal school hours. We provide a complete list of the items needed for school uniform during the induction when a child starts at the school and on our school website. Staff, parents and carers act as role models and examples to the children. Staff and parental dress should reflect the professional environment of the school and no-one should carry or wear any object that has potential to cause harm or be offensive.

This procedure has been written in consultation with our junior leaders, school council and parents.

2 Aims and objectives

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

- promotes a sense of pride in the school;
- engenders a sense of identity 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.

3 Jewellery

On health and safety grounds we do not allow children to wear jewellery at school. The exception to this rule is small objects of religious significance, such as a crucifix on a chain or a Sikh wristband and simple stud earrings in pierced ears. These items must be removed during PE and the school takes no responsibility for keeping them safe. It is not acceptable to cover earrings in pierced ears with plasters as they still have the potential to cause injury if the child falls over. Parents should not allow their children to have their ears pierced during term time as the studs cannot then be removed easily for PE. The best time to have your ears pierced is at the beginning of the summer holidays, so that the ears are healed properly and can be removed safely for PE at the start of September.

4 Extreme haircuts, make-up and nail varnish and long hair

4.1 The school does not permit children to have 'extreme' haircuts or hairstyles that could serve as a distraction to other children in the classroom. By this we mean 'Mohicans', which comprise completely shaved sides of the head with a central strip of long hair arranged in spikes with gel or similar; or designs such as logos or words shaved on the scalp. We welcome cultural hair styles such as braids and twists and head coverings for those who consider it a religious observance – although these should be in the school colours i.e. grey, white, black or burgundy.

4.2 Make up and nail varnish are also not permitted in school. On dress up days these rules do not apply for the day only. Henna as part of cultural celebrations, or practised in a club, is also acceptable until it wears or washes off.

4.2 Long hair should be tied back in the interests of health and safety and to limit the spread of head lice. This includes long fringes which fall onto a child's face, if they lean forward over their work. Any hair accessories should be minimal and in the school colours i.e. grey, white, black or burgundy or pink gingham.

5 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, therefore we do not allow children to wear such shoes in our school. Neither do we allow children to wear trainers to school; we deem that this footwear is appropriate for sport or for leisurewear, but is not in keeping with the smart appearance of a school uniform. We require all children to wear shoes as stated in the uniform list.

6 Reasonable adjustments

We recognise that some pupils with special educational needs or disabilities may require reasonable adjustments to the school uniform policy. These adjustments will always be considered carefully to ensure pupils are comfortable, supported and able to fully participate in school life. Examples might include alternative footwear, adapted clothing or allowances for sensory sensitivities. All decisions will be made on a case-by-case basis by the Headteacher, in consultation with parents and, where appropriate, external professionals.

7 The role of parents/carers

7.1 It is the expectation that all parents of children at Foxborough Primary School to commit to supporting the school uniform procedure. Therefore, when your child joins the school you will be asked to sign our home school agreement, which outlines your parental responsibility and commitment to ensure your child attends school and adheres to the procedure in every respect.

7.2 We understand that occasionally things can go wrong and children may rip jumpers and break shoes during the week. We will always allow children to wear non-uniform items temporarily if we have a note, telephone call or email from their parent. Moreover, if any parent has a difficulty complying with this uniform procedure for financial or other reasons, they should contact the office.

8 The role of governors

8.1 The governing body supports the Headteacher and the leadership team in implementing the school uniform procedure. It liaises with the Headteacher to ensure that the procedure is implemented fairly and with sensitivity.

8.2 It is the governors' responsibility to ensure that the school uniform meets all regulations concerning equal opportunities, free from discrimination in line with the Equality Act 2010.

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

8.4 Governors challenge the school to keep down costs competitive by supporting the school reviewing school suppliers and the numbers of school branded items required

9 Uniform Suppliers

9.1 The school sweatshirt, cardigan and school PE top are the only garments sold by one supplier. We give the highest priority to cost and value for money (including the quality and durability of the garment) All other items for the uniform are available from a wide range of supermarkets and national suppliers.

9.2 The supplier's contract is retendered at least every 5 years.

10 Second Hand Uniform Sales

10.1 We ensure that second-hand uniforms are available for parents to acquire. Information on second-hand uniforms is made available for parents of current and prospective pupils and published on the school's website.

11. Monitoring and review

11.1 The governing body monitors and reviews the school uniform procedure by: seeking the views of parents, to ensure that they agree with and support the procedure;

- considering, with the Headteacher and the leadership team ways forward with any parents who repeatedly renege on their commitment to send their child to school in the correct uniform, without explanation.

Foxborough Primary School Uniform

School Uniform

- Grey long trousers or grey tailored short trousers, grey knee length skirt or pinafore dress.
- White polo shirt
- Burgundy sweatshirt or cardigan with school logo
- Grey or black socks with trousers; grey, black or white socks or tights with skirt
- Black, plain, sensible, flat heeled shoes (not trainers, plimsolls or shoes that look like trainers as these are inappropriate for everyday wear). Footwear should be plain with no adornments or accessories e.g. coloured, glittery, shiny, studded or decorated sections.

Summer Uniform

- Pink/white checked dress for summer term only
- Grey shorts

For PE and Games:

PE kit to wear to school on the day your child has PE.

- Burgundy school PE T-shirt and black shorts
- Trainers or plimsolls for outdoor activities
- Plain dark coloured tracksuit top and bottoms (small logo permitted)

For Swimming

- Plain swimming trunks or shorts for the boys
- Plain one-piece swimming costumes for the girls
- The pool requires all children to wear a swimming hat

Please mark all clothing clearly with your child's name and class.