Flanshaw Junior and Infant School - Uniform Policy

Principles

It is our policy that all children should wear clothing that is in keeping with a purposeful learning ethos. We also believe it is important that certain activities are facilitated by specialised and appropriate clothing when attending school, or when participating in a school-organised event outside normal school hours.

Aims

Our policy for children's school uniform is based on the belief that a school uniform:

- Promotes a sense of pride in the school
- Engenders a feeling of community and belonging
- Is practical and smart
- Identifies the children with the school
- Is not distracting in class (as fashion clothes might be)
- Makes children feel equal to their peers in terms of appearance
- Is regarded as suitable, and good value for money by most parents
- Has been designed with health and safety in mind.

Our colours are navy blue, grey and white and the uniform is as follows:

- School cobalt blue sweatshirt, plain or with school logo
- School cobalt blue sweat cardigan with school logo
- Grey trousers or grey shorts
- Grey skirt, grey trousers or grey pinafore dress (with zip front)
- School white polo shirt, plain or with school logo or (white shirt)
- School book bag with school logo
- Blue gingham dresses may be worn in the summer term

For PE all children need to wear on their PE days:

- PE t-shirt (Fruit of the Loom – Royal Blue) – THIS CAN BE PURCHASED FROM SCHOOL
- School black PE shorts/short leggings
- A pair of trainers and a plain tracksuit (Navy blue/ black)

School uniform with or without the school logo can be purchased from Glowe online:
https://glowefamily.co.uk/collections/school-uniform

You may also purchase non logo items from any other retailer in the approved school colours.

The Hoodie of Responsibility – Year 6 children are allowed to wear a purple hoodie with logo and text saying Class of {INSERT YEAR}.
For example – **Class of 2025**



Swimming - Year 4 only

- Swimming trunks: fitted type only/shorts above the knee
- Swimming costume: One piece – not bikini
- Towel
- Goggles

Jewellery
On health and safety grounds we do not allow children to wear jewellery in our school. The exception to this rule are small objects of religious significance or stud earrings and an analogue watch.

Children with pierced ears may wear plain studs. **Jewelled or fashion earrings** are not permitted. **Other piercings are not allowed** on health and safety grounds.

PLEASE NOTE: Children must remove studs for P.E. and swimming. If they cannot then they must not wear them on P.E. days. Parents of younger children are responsible for ensuring this happens.

We highly recommend that children have their ears pierced at the beginning of the summer holidays so that PE lessons are not affected.

Make up and Cosmetics
Make up and cosmetics are not considered appropriate or consistent with our school uniform. The school does not permit such products to be worn by any children, unless there is a specific event for which the Head has given permission. This includes the wearing of nail polish on fingers and toes.

Shoes
Black flat outdoor shoes or black flat outdoor boots. During summer months girls may wear black, flat sandals with a heel strap to conform to health and safety regulations.
White, grey or black socks must be worn.

The wearing of trainers and flip flops/sliders is not permitted.

Socks
School socks are white, grey or black. Children wearing patterned socks will be challenged.

All clothing and footwear should be clearly labelled with your child's name

Hair
Children should refrain from 'extreme haircuts.' Extreme haircuts are defined as mohawks and bald hairstyles. Children should not colour their hair from their natural hair colour. Long hair should be tied up in plaits, a bun or pony tail so it does not interfere with their school work. Short hair should not have patterns or wording cut into it.

Pupils are free to wear a headscarf or other hair coverings for religious reasons at school if they wish to. Headscarves of the type which drape to shoulder length or just below are acceptable. Longer headscarves are not permitted for safety reasons.

Adaptations for Weather
In the cold weather, particularly in the winter months, children are expected to wear coats and are permitted to wear a hat/ear-muffs, scarf and gloves. Please ensure that all items are clearly named.

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 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 the headteacher or a member of the pastoral team to discuss the issues. Parents should be assured that we will do all we can to help.

The role of staff

Staff should support the Leadership Team in maintaining high standards of uniform dress. Where pupils fail to wear the correct uniform, staff should make discreet and sympathetic enquiries.

The Role of Governors

The governing body supports the School in implementing the school's 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.

Special Circumstances

Special dispensation can be requested for temporary exception from the prescribed school uniform or elements of it. This will usually be on medical grounds or due to a specific, special educational need (as outlined in an EHCP). The Headteacher will have the ultimate decision on granting or refusing this.

Persistent non-wearing of uniform

We would always make contact with families of children who persistently do not wear school uniform to try and ascertain the reason for this. We would deal with each case on a case-by-case basis, but it remains our policy that school uniform should be worn

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