



School Uniform Policy

Cottingley Village Primary School has a school uniform. This instils a sense of pride, supports positive behaviour, encourages identity with, and support for, the school ethos as well as ensuring that pupils of all races and backgrounds feel welcome and part of the whole school. It also helps to protect children from social pressures of dressing in a certain way, it nurtures cohesion and promotes good relationships between the whole school community with different groups of children and, above all, it fosters effective teaching and learning.

At Cottingley Village Primary School we believe that wearing a school uniform provides children with an identity and gives them a sense of belonging and pride in the organisation where they learn. Uniform is practical and smart. It reinforces a positive learning ethic and is supportive in reducing expenditure for our families.

Aims:

- All children wear the correct school uniform each day to school.
- Children are proud to wear their uniform and belong to the school.
- Our families share the school's expectations with regard to uniform.

Guidelines:

- It is expected that all children wear school uniform every day to school, including appropriate footwear as directed by the school (pumps indoors and sensible outdoor footwear outside).
- The school website and home school book provides parents/carers with full details of school uniform.
- If a child does not wear the correct uniform then parent/carers will be contacted and made aware of this.
- All parents/carers are asked to clearly label every item of school clothing with their child's name, including all footwear and school reading/PE bag.
- All children are responsible for taking care of their own items of clothing.
- Lost property is located in the small hall. Each term this is emptied and families given an opportunity to collect lost items before sending any remaining items either go to the clothing bank or are recycled by the PTA and sold as 'nearly new' uniform to families.
- If there is a specific reason why a child cannot wear aspects of school uniform or requires special dispensation e.g. health or religious grounds. The Governing Body will sympathetically consider a request from the parent/carer.

Uniform clothing list: For pupils in Reception to Year 6.

Girls:	Boys:
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • White polo shirt is required. With school logo is optional. • Blue sweatshirt/sweat cardigan with school logo is required. • Grey or black trousers- required if trousers are worn. • Black or grey skirt- required if trousers are worn. • Blue and white gingham dress (summer wear). It is a choice to wear a dress in school colours. Normal uniform is otherwise expected. • Pumps for indoor wear – required. • Sensible black shoes/trainer shoes. No open toe sandals or croc style shoes. No high heels. Required. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • White polo shirt is required. With school logo is optional. • Blue sweatshirt with school logo is required. • Grey or black trousers- required if worn. • Grey or black shorts (summer wear)- required if worn • Pumps for indoor wear- required. • Sensible black shoes/trainer shoes. No open toe sandals or croc style shoes. Required. • Plain white, black or grey socks. Required. • NO JEWELLERY OTHER THEN STUDD EARRINGS. Required.

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Plain white socks- required. • NO LEGGINGS- required. • NO JEWELLERY OTHER THAN STUDD EARRINGS- required. 	
JEWELLERY: Small religious necklace e.g. tavis, cross, ohm etc may be worn but only on religious grounds. No other jewellery is allowed.	

PE Kit:

Girls:	Boys:
White T Shirt- required . Blue shorts - required . Jogging pants for outdoor PE- required if outside in cold weather Trainers for outdoor PE – required for outdoor PE PE bag with school logo – required . A warm sweatshirt maybe needed extra when PE is done outside in colder weather. Plain black leggings may be worn under blue shorts for cultural reasons only in PE but not as part of the daily school uniform. Hair bobble to tie up hair – required if hair is longer than above neck length.	White T Shirt- required . Blue shorts- required . Jogging pants for outdoor PE- required if outside in cold weather Trainers for outdoor PE- required for outdoor PE . PE bag with school logo- required . A warm sweatshirt maybe needed extra when PE is done outside in colder weather. Hair bobble to tie up hair- required if hair is longer than above neck length.

Additional School Uniform : (Optional)

- Blue school fleece with logo or shower proof jacket
- Blue/Black woolly hat for outdoor PE in cold weather
- Sun hat in blue/purple with school logo
- Wellington Boots for Outdoor learning in the school grounds.

Hair and Jewellery:

- Hair dyes, extreme haircuts and excessive/over flamboyant hairstyles are not appropriate for school.
- Hair accessories: blue or white to match school uniform
- If hair is longer than shoulder length it should be tied back. This is for hygiene reasons such as to prevent the infestation/spreading of nits.
- Jewellery: watch only on wrist. Pierced ears must only have simple studs or very small sleepers. No other jewellery is to be worn.

Swimming:

As an important element of the curriculum the children in Year 5 take part in swimming lessons at a local swimming pool. Children must bring the appropriate swimwear when it is their allocated time to take part in these lessons. Children must wear all in one swimming costumes that gender appropriate. Nothing should be made from transparent material.

Breaching Uniform Policy:

The school will be considerate and make enquiries with either the child or parent if a child does not adhere to the uniform expectations. Children will not be made to feel uncomfortable or discriminated against. However, the school expects all families to provide their children with the correct uniform, equipment, bag and as such will give them a specific amount of time to comply with this. If there is a particular issue the school is more than willing to work with the family to resolve or support them.

School Uniform Assistance/Hardship:

Cottingley Village Primary School supports vulnerable families in meeting the costs of uniform. The school will supply all eligible children, a pack of school uniform, once a year in the summer term, consisting of:

- 1 x white polo shirt with school logo
- 1 x blue sweatshirt with school logo
- 1 x PE T-shirt
- 1 x PE shorts

School Clothing Assistance eligibility criteria is:

- *Children must attend full time education at Cottingley Village Primary School*
- *This scheme is for children at Cottingley Village Primary School from Reception Class up to Year 6.*
- *Families must be in receipt of the one of the following things set on below- see next section.*

Parents/carers/guardians must be in receipt of one of the following benefits in order request school clothing assistance:

- *Free School Meals (not the universal free school meal)*
- *Child Tax Credit (not Working Tax Credit) and have an annual income, as assessed by HM Revenue & Customs, that does not exceed £16,190.*
- *Income support*
- *Income- based Jobseeker's allowance.*
- *Income- related Employment and Support Allowance*
- *The Guarantee element of State Pension Credit.*
- *Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999.*

Families who meet the criteria should complete the School Uniform Assistance Application Form available from the school office or the information dispensers in the main entrance at school. These should be returned to the school office by 20th June each year.

Further details:

- The budget for the School Uniform Assistance scheme will come from the Pupil Premium grant each year.
- Eligibility will be determined by checking original documents from the relevant authority detailing receipt of the benefit and the address of the pupil.
- Any concerns raised about information on the application form may mean that either further information is requested from the family or the application will be declined.

Purchase of School Uniform:

School uniform only has a limited number of items that require the school logo on them such as the school sweatshirt. These items can be purchased via MAPAC an online service at www.mapac.com. They can also be bought from local uniform suppliers such as Whittakers in Shipley. Local uniform clothing banks may stock our school items as well as parents being able to buy 'nearly new' second hand uniform from the school PTA (Parent Teacher Association) for £1 per item. Many of these items are donated by parents who are keen to recycle good quality uniform.

Non- branded items can be purchased from a wide variety of retail shops.

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