

SCHOOL UNIFORM

School uniform plays a vital part in giving children a sense of belonging within our school and a feeling of being part of our school community. Most importantly, school uniform helps create a sense of pride in our school and ourselves. It is also important as it:

- Identifies children as being part of New Scotland Hill Primary School and Nursery
- Is practical and smart, designed with health and safety in mind
- Is regarded as suitable wear for school and represents good value for money
- 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 appropriate for the children to engage in the curriculum e.g. PE, Games, Outdoor Learning

It is an expectation that all pupils will wear their school uniform and will therefore represent themselves as excellent ambassadors to the school. We expect all pupils at New Scotland Hill Primary School to wear their uniform correctly and with due care and attention to our high expectations. Within this, we will work closely with families when making adaptations to school uniform based on sensory needs. We encourage children in Nursery to wear a version of the school uniform appropriate to their age and the setting (eg. Jogging bottoms instead of trousers) and apply flexibility in our approach to encouraging children to wear uniform to school.

Our school uniform is as follows:

Year-Round Uniform

- White polo shirt
- V -neck red sweatshirt or sweatshirt cardigan, either with school logo or plain
- Charcoal grey trousers, skirt or pinafore dress
- Flat-soled, black school shoes (no trainers)
- Grey/white socks, or grey tights

Summer Uniform

As above, with the option(s) of:

- Red gingham dress
- Grey shorts

P.E. Kit:

- House colour T-shirt
- House colour hoodie/sweatshirt, either with school logo or plain
- Black/Navy blue plain shorts; if wearing 'cycling shorts' these should be longer in length
- Tracksuit bottoms/joggers/leggings in navy or black
- Trainers suitable for the activity (eg.with an appropriate sole for games on the field)
- Parents/carers will be notified where additional equipment is required for specific sports, eg. Shin-pads, mouthguards, etc.

Outdoor Learning

For outdoor learning activities, clothing appropriate to the activity should be worn, ie: clothes that can get muddy, wet, and are suitable for the weather conditions (ie. warm tops, wellies, sun hats, etc.) Where possible this should be school P.E. kit, however, we appreciate that on some weeks, it may be necessary to wear alternative clothing if outdoor learning is in addition to regular P.E. sessions. Under no circumstances should denim be worn for P.E. or outdoor learning; tops must have sleeves and cover childrens' midrifts.

Accessories

- Hairbands should be in the school colours of red, white or grey, or plain black, with no embellishments.
- Earrings must be simple, single studs (no hoops or earrings that dangle down from the ear). We adopt guidance from AfPE (The Association for Physical Education) and the Local Authority regarding the removal of earrings for P.E. lessons and sporting activities. As children come to school in P.E. kit on P.E. days, where possible, they should avoid wearing earrings on these days, and if worn, should remove these prior to the lesson starting in all but exceptional circumstances.
- Other jewellery is not permitted in school, other than items worn for religious observance.
- Make-up must not be worn in school, including nail-varnish.

Where to Buy School Uniform

'Branded' items of uniform (with the school logo on) are available from Brenda's, Camberley: http://www.brendas.co.uk/collections/new-scotland-hill

To ensure that uniform is affordable and offers the best value for money, generic items of uniform and unbranded items are readily available at a range of supermarkets and outlets.

2nd Hand Uniform is available from the PTA , please contact the school office at: secretary@nshprimary.co.uk

We ask that all items of clothing are clearly named.

Staff will address where expectations over uniform are not being followed by children (ie. Challenge if a child is wearing trainers, request them to remove items of jewellery, etc.). They will also deal with matters sensitively where there may be other factors that impact on a child wearing uniform/kit on a particular day. Where appropriate, staff will follow-up any concerns regarding uniform by contacting parents to make them aware of issues.