Ashleigh Primary School

School Uniform

Policy

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**British Values**

Through its curriculum, extra-curricular activities, teaching and learning this school will promote British values. By doing so, we will ensure that all learners understand the values that have traditionally underpinned British society. The teaching of these values will promote cohesiveness within our school and community. We will prepare pupils for life in England where the population has an increasingly rich diversity of backgrounds, origins, beliefs and cultures by promoting the values on which our society has been built. By teaching pupils these values we will help all to become good citizens of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland.

**Race Equality and Racial Harassment**

Implicit in our policy for marking is a belief in race equality and everything will be done to promote this. We do not tolerate racial harassment. (Refer to School’s Race Equality and Racial Harassment Policies).

**1. Introduction and Rationale**

At Ashleigh Primary School, our vision is to create an inclusive culture where every child is known and valued. Our school motto, "Together we Learn, Grow and Achieve", underpins our belief that a school uniform fosters a sense of pride and community identity.

This policy has been developed in line with the Department for Education’s statutory guidance on the cost of school uniforms. We are committed to ensuring our uniform is affordable and accessible to all families. We believe that a consistent uniform policy sets high expectations and prepares pupils for a positive and focused day of learning.

**2. Uniform Requirements**

We have kept the number of branded items to a minimum. All items listed below, unless specified as "with school logo," can be purchased from any high street store or supermarket.

* **Sweatshirt/Cardigan:** Royal blue sweatshirt or cardigan, with the school logo.
* **Shirt:** Plain white shirt or blouse.
* **Tie:** school tie in blue
* **Trousers/Shorts:** Plain grey or black school-style trousers or tailored shorts.
* **Skirt/Pinafore:** Plain grey or black school-style skirt or pinafore dress.
* **Summer Dress:** A blue and white checked gingham dress may be worn in warmer weather.
* **Footwear:** Plain black, flat, sensible school shoes. Trainers, boots, or open-toed sandals are not permitted.
* **Socks/Tights:** Plain grey, black, or white socks or tights.

**3. P.E. (Physical Education) Kit**

For health and safety, all pupils must change for P.E. lessons. A letter from a parent is required if a child is medically unable to participate.

* **T-shirt:** A team colour T-shirt (with school logo)
* **Shorts:** Plain black shorts.
* **Footwear:** Black pumps for indoor P.E. and trainers for outdoor P.E.
* **Outerwear (optional):** A plain, dark-coloured tracksuit may be worn for outdoor P.E. in colder months.

The P.E. kit should be brought to school in a named drawstring bag.

**4. Jewellery, Hair, and Make-up**

* **Jewellery:** For safety reasons, the only jewellery permitted is a simple watch and one pair of small, plain stud earrings. Earrings must be removed or covered with tape for P.E. lessons.
* **Hair:** Long hair (shoulder-length or longer) must be tied back for safety and hygiene. Hair accessories should be small, simple, and in school colours. Extreme hairstyles or colours are not permitted.
* **Make-up:** No make-up or nail polish should be worn in school.

**5. Affordability and Suppliers**

We are committed to making our uniform affordable. We strongly encourage parents to make use of our second-hand uniform provision, which can be accessed by contacting the school office.

Our branded uniform items are available from the following suppliers:

* Whittakers in Blackburn
* Snazzy's in Darwen
* Lancashire PE Services (online)

Parents are not required to purchase items from these suppliers, and plain, non-logo alternatives in the correct colour are perfectly acceptable.

**6. Equality and Reasonable Adjustments**

Our uniform policy is gender-neutral. Ashleigh Primary School will make reasonable adjustments to the policy for pupils with specific needs, including those with religious requirements, sensory needs, or disabilities. Parents are encouraged to discuss any specific uniform requirements with the Headteacher, Mr. Matthews , or the SENCO, Miss Youd.

**7. Non-Compliance**

We expect all pupils to adhere to the uniform policy. In cases of non-compliance, we will take a sensitive and supportive approach. Staff will speak to the child and contact parents to discuss any difficulties and work together to find a solution. Pupils will not be sent home for uniform breaches.

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