



Newtown C of E Primary School

Uniform Policy

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School Vision

At Newtown C of E Primary School, our motto is enriched and sustained by our Christian values of **Love, Courage and Friendship**, rooted in the teachings of the Bible. We are guided by the call to *“love one another as I have loved you”* (John 13:34), *“be strong and courageous... for the Lord your God is with you wherever you go”* (Joshua 1:9), and *“a friend loves at all times”* (Proverbs 17:17).

As a school at the heart of an evolving community, we warmly welcome children and families from a wide range of backgrounds and experiences. We are enriched by the unique qualities each child brings and value the talents and perspectives that help us grow together.

We are an aspirational school serving our community. We seek to know, understand and celebrate every child, nurturing their individual strengths and talents. We prepare our children to become confident, responsible global citizens in an ever-changing world, guided by our core values of love, courage and friendship.

Through **Love**, we show kindness, compassion and generosity, building a community where everyone feels safe, welcomed and valued. Through **Courage**, we persevere, meet challenge with confidence, and stand up for what is right with honesty and grace. Through **Friendship**, we grow together — encouraging one another, celebrating each other’s gifts, and looking to the future with hope and aspiration.

We live out these values by:

- Being a caring, welcoming and inclusive Christian community where staff, pupils, parents and governors work together in a safe and supportive environment, inspired by *“Above all, love each other deeply”* (1 Peter 4:8)
- Promoting the welfare and dignity of every child, safeguarding them from harm — including physical, sexual and emotional abuse, neglect and bullying — in accordance with statutory guidance in *Keeping Children Safe in Education* (Department for Education)
- Providing a rich, engaging curriculum that equips children with the knowledge, skills and character to become lifelong learners and responsible citizens, reflecting Christian teachings and British Values

- Building strong, positive partnerships with parents, the church and the wider community, and encouraging participation in local, national and global initiatives
- Fostering our Learning Behaviours of Resilience, Focus, Independence, Self-Regulation, Respect and Boundaries, encouraging children to act with integrity, perseverance and kindness in all they do

At Newtown, we want every child to know they belong, are cherished, and are capable of great things. Through **Love, Courage and Friendship**, we grow minds, shape futures and journey together in hope.

Introduction

It is our school policy that all children wear school uniform when attending school, or when participating in school-organised events outside normal school hours, unless advised otherwise. We ask children to wear their t-shirts tucked into their skirts or trousers and to take a pride in their personal appearance. All items of uniform can be bought from Skoolkit, however they are easily available, at very competitive prices, at local shops including supermarkets. A complete list of the items needed for school uniform is below.

All clothing items that are brought in to school MUST be named.

Winter

Uniform	Unacceptable clothing
Black/grey trousers	Denim, tracksuit bottoms/jogging bottoms and any other trousers that are not uniform.
Black/grey pinafore dress, skirt	Denim, leggings, tracksuit bottoms/jogging bottoms.
Red or White polo shirt - plain or with a school logo	Non-school items, branded t-shirts.
Red sweatshirt/jumper/tank top/cardigan – plain or with school logo	Non-school items, hoodies, cardigans, branded items and track suit tops.
Red fleece with logo	Non-uniform items, branded outerwear.
White, grey or black socks Grey, black or red tights.	Any other coloured socks/tights that are not listed.
Black closed in shoes/boots or trainers. Boots must be weather resistant material and ankle smart ankle style. Black trainers must have no branding or additional colours. Shoes must be a flat style (no heels or wedge styles), weather resistant material i.e. no suede or faux suede.	Plimsolls (unless for PE), combination coloured shoes/boots, any other leisure foot wear.
Hats/ear warmers can be worn on the playground before school, during morning break and lunchtime and at home time only.	Hats/ear warmers cannot be worn in school.
Hair bows, ties and headbands are permitted but if large head bows are worn e.g. JoJo bows, they can only be red. Bows should be no larger than 15 cm in diameter*. Summer hats can be worn in the playground before and after school and during break time and lunchtime only. Single colour braids natural to their hair colour are permitted.	Animal ear headbands or any other headbands that do not adhere to the uniform. Hats/ ear warmers are not to be worn indoors. *15 cm  Multi colour braids are not permitted.

Summer

Uniform	Unacceptable clothing
Red and white check summer dress – any style	Other coloured checked dresses or other summer dresses that are not uniform.
Black/grey pinafore dress, skirt or trousers	Denim, leggings, tracksuit bottoms/jogging bottoms and any other skirts or trousers that are not uniform.
Black/grey shorts or trousers	Denim, tracksuit bottoms/jogging bottoms and any other shorts or trousers that are not uniform.
Red or White polo shirt - plain or with a school logo	Non-school items, branded t-shirts.
Red sweatshirt or cardigan – plain or with school logo	Non-school items, hoodies, branded items and track suit tops.
White, grey or black socks	Any other coloured socks that are not listed.
Black closed in shoes must be a flat style (no heels or wedge styles). Black trainers must have no branding or additional colours. Sandals can be worn with socks and must have a back/heel strap.	Flip-flops, plimsolls (unless for PE), combination coloured shoes/boots, any other leisure footwear.
Red sweatshirt/jumper/cardigan– plain or with school logo	Non-school items, hoodies, cardigans, branded items and track suit tops.
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P.E. Kit

Children need a change of clothes and footwear for P.E (for health and hygiene reasons) and a drawstring bag in which to keep the kit at school. PE kit and PE bags may be bought from Skoolkit or from local shops and supermarkets.

All P.E. kit MUST be named.

All children wear:

Acceptable PE Kit	Unacceptable Clothing
Black shorts	Branded shorts
House colour t-shirt or white polo t-shirt	Branded t-shirt
Red or black sweatshirt	Branded tops, outerwear
Black jogging bottoms are acceptable for winter months unless inside for gymnastics, when shorts should be worn	Branded bottoms, fashion tracksuit bottoms.

For health and safety reasons children are not permitted to wear earrings for PE. Your child's teacher will advise you when PE lessons take place so that earrings can be removed.

1 Aims and objectives

Our policy on school uniform is based on the belief that school uniform:

- promotes a sense of pride in our school;
- helps to create a sense of community and belonging towards the school;
- identifies the children with the school;
- supports our commitment to inclusion;
- prevents children from wearing 'fashion clothes' that could be distracting in class;
- is practical, smart and designed with health and safety in mind;
- is considered good value for money by most parents;

2 Jewellery, Hair Ornaments, Make-up and Nail Varnish

For health and safety reasons we do not allow children to wear jewellery. Children are not permitted to wear a nose stud or ring or any other facial piercings. The exceptions to this rule are ear-ring studs in pierced ears, and small objects of religious significance. Children are required to remove any items during PE lessons to prevent them from causing injury. Please note: Teachers are not permitted to remove earrings.

Hair bands, ribbons/bows or 'scrunchies' can be worn. Hair bands should not have large flowers attached. We advise that long hair is kept up. The use of styling products should be kept to a minimum and children should not have decorative patterns cut into their hair or have hair coloured or dyed. Hair braiding/plaiting is acceptable but must be the child's natural hair; no artificial extensions, multiple colours, beading or wraps are permitted under any circumstances. Please come and speak to the Headteacher regarding cultural or religious needs.

Make up and nail varnish should not be worn to school. Extreme hairstyles are not appropriate for school.

3 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 a senior member of staff to discuss the issues. Parents should be assured that we will do all we can to help. Children who arrive at school wearing non-school uniform clothing will be loaned an appropriate item from our spare uniform (if available) to wear for that day. The same system will apply for children who do not have a PE kit. A letter will be sent home to notify the parents/guardians of incorrect or incomplete PE kit.

4 The Role of Governors

The Governing Body supports the Headteacher in implementing the school 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 hardwearing, safe and practical.

5 Monitoring and Review

The Governing Body monitors and reviews the school uniform policy through its committee work by:

- seeking the views of parents, to ensure that they agree with and support the policy;
- considering, with the Headteacher, any requests from parents for individual children to have special dispensation with regard to school uniform;