



Alverton Primary School Uniform Policy

All children are expected to wear school uniform.

We believe that a school uniform:

- promotes the ethos of our school and ensures that the high standards we seek to have throughout the school are exemplified through the children's smart appearance
- provides a sense of pride and identity and belonging to our school team and community
- sets an appropriate tone for education
- ensures that all children, regardless of economic background, have a reasonable level of equity in the way they dress at school
- is practical and appropriate.

ALL uniform items should be clearly marked with the child's name. This is important as uniform items look similar and can easily be confused for another child's. The school cannot accept responsibility for any lost items.

Children should wear:

- **White** shirts or blouses
- **Red** jumpers or cardigans. Children may choose to wear a school sweatshirt (optional) **NOT** hoodies
- **Grey** trousers or shorts
- **Grey** skirts, pinafore dresses or culottes
- School tie
- **Red** checked dresses (in the summer term)
- Plain **white, black** or **grey** socks or **grey** or **red** tights

Shoes:

- **Black** shoes (not boots).
- All shoes should have a low heel.
- Laces should be plain black.
- In the summer, **black** or **red** closed-toe sandals may be worn.
- All children will need a pair of wellies.

Reception Children

Reception children (Kittiwakes and Curlews) should **wear the same uniform** as detailed above **except** that they wear red polo shirts instead of shirts or blouses and **do not** wear a school tie.

Once children move into Year 1, they will be expected to wear a white shirt or blouse with a school tie, rather than a polo shirt, and a tie is presented to them when they leave Reception.

PE uniform:

- Plain **white** polo shirt
- Plain **black** shorts
- Trainers (as plain as possible)

- In the colder months, it is important that the children are dressed appropriately for outdoor PE and they may wear a school tracksuit (or plain **black** bottoms and their **red** jumper / cardigan / school PE hoodie) for outdoor games.

Reception PE Uniform

PE kit for Kittiwakes and Curlews is plain **black** bottoms and trainers with their usual **red** polo shirt and **red** jumper.

All items of clothing should be plain and free from logos etc, except any items incorporating the school badge.

For sale at the school office: Ties and swimming caps

For sale from Phoenix Promotions (using an order form available from the school office): Red school sweatshirts, tracksuit bottoms, red school PE hoodies, school PE bags, black shorts, red school book bags.

It is not compulsory to purchase logo items from school and plain uniform items may be purchased from a shop of a parent's choice.

All items of jewellery, apart from watches, are not allowed. For safety reasons, only stud earrings may be worn and these should ideally be removed for PE or alternatively covered with a plaster. Long hair should be tied back using plain bands without attachments. Children should not wear any make-up or nail varnish / false nails.

Children are expected to wear school uniform unless there is a justified reason why they cannot. If a child cannot temporarily wear uniform, parents are asked to send in a letter stating the reasons why. If children do not wear appropriate school uniform, the school will be in contact with parents to discuss this. We do not want there to be any financial barriers to children having the correct uniform and ask parents to talk to the school office if this is the case and we will do our best to support them.

If a child is in receipt of the Pupil Premium, there is financial support available to purchase all items of uniform which are available from the school office or from Phoenix Promotions. The office staff have further information about this.

Second-hand school uniforms are available and the Friends of Alverton School organise the provision of these throughout the school year. We have a Help Your Shelf in the school reception where free second-hand uniform is available at all times. Un-named items of uniform, which we have been unable to return to pupils, are stored in our lost property box and all parents are welcome to take items from this box.

We have sought the opinion of parents in the development of this policy.

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