



Kildwick CE Primary School

Learning to Live, Living to Love, Loving to Learn

SCHOOL UNIFORM POLICY

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Rationale

School uniform plays a valuable role in contributing to the ethos of a school and setting an appropriate tone. It also serves to foster a feeling of 'belonging' to the school. We want children to feel proud to be at Kildwick School and to be part of its uniqueness. The wearing of a uniform ensures pupils of all races and backgrounds to feel welcome and protects children from social pressures to dress in a particular way; the children come to school prepared and with the right attitude for work.

You will be informed of any 'non-uniform' days. These will usually be linked to fund raising or charity events or special events in school such as Christmas parties. Children are invited to wear non uniform on their birthday. Where a birthday falls on a weekend or school holiday, children can select a day to wear non uniform.

Uniform is available from Skip to School in Skipton. Preloved items can be purchased from our preloved sale half termly. We encourage parents to use this facility in line with our eco-friendly ethos.

Uniform consists of:

- Dark grey or black trousers, skirts or shorts.
- Blue tartan dress or skirt.
- Blue crested jumper or cardigan and white or blue polo shirt (crested or not).
- Grey or black socks or tights.
- Footwear should be black; trainers are allowed but should be plain black. Footwear should be closed toe.

- In Summer, a blue and white checked dress/skirt with a cardigan or jumper can be worn.
- Children sometimes wear Kildwick fleeces and summer caps: however, these are by no means compulsory.

School book bags can be purchased from Skip to School. All children from Reception to Year 5 should have a Kildwick CE standard book bag. Year 6 children are allowed to bring a bag of their choice but this should be of a reasonable size.

P.E.

- Plain blue shorts or PE skirt
- White polo shirt (optionally crested)
- Black pumps or plain black trainers.
- Children will require a suitable outdoor PE kit for all weathers, including blue tracksuit bottoms or leggings, a Kildwick School hoody and suitable footwear.

Religion

If children wish to cover their head for religious or cultural observance they should wear a plain black, blue or white cotton scarf, which must be securely fastened.

Jewellery

Jewellery must not be worn except in the case of pierced ears. Following advice from the school's Health and Safety Advisors, parents must follow the principles below:

Jewellery must not be worn except in the case of pierced ears when one earring in each ear is allowed and these must be studs. The wearing of multiple earrings in each ear is not allowed. There should be no other visible body piercing.

There are a number of risks associated with piercing including:

- Potential injury, due to inadvertent contact of the jewellery with other people, clothing, equipment, etc.
- The risks to health are entirely associated with the individual concerned, these being infection and blood borne diseases. If good personal hygiene practices are not adopted, the risk of ill-health to the individual concerned is significant.
- Risk of injury to others is greater in some aspects of the curriculum e.g. sports activities, adventure activities, drama, dance and physical activity in the playground.

The following principles will be applied for all pupils who have piercings:

- All piercings should be removed prior to PE, this includes swimming lessons.
- If the piercings cannot be removed, they will be covered with a plaster / tape.

If parents wish to have their child's ear pierced it is recommended that the piercing takes place at the start of the Summer holidays, so that the jewellery can be removed each playtime and before Physical Education lessons, without the problem of infection or healing over.

Parents are also reminded to remove nail varnish from their children's fingernails before arriving at school.

Hair: Children with long hair must tie their hair back during the school day. This is for safety and to help reduce the spread of head lice. Small hair accessories are allowed but children are responsible for these. Children should not have patterns cut into their hair.

All uniform and items brought to school must be labelled with your child's full name. Any unnamed items remaining in lost property at the end of each half term will be donated to the 'preloved' uniform sales. Children are responsible for their own belongings. Staff are unable to support children looking for lost items as this has an impact on other children's learning.