

Prior Park Primary School



DRAFT School Uniform Policy

Introduction

This document was reviewed during the Summer Term 2025

This policy will next be reviewed in the Autumn term 2026

It is our school policy at Prior Park Primary School that all children wear school uniform when attending school, or when participating in school-organised events outside normal school hours. We ask children to take pride in their personal appearance. A complete list of the items needed for school uniform including those for Physical Education, is provided in the section below: School uniform list.

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 within the school;
- supports our commitment to inclusion;
- is practical, smart and designed with health and safety in mind.

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 may be loaned an appropriate item from our welfare stock to wear for that day. Parents may be contacted to discuss the matter if incorrect uniform becomes a concern.

School Uniform List

Tweedmouth Prior Park jumpers, cardigans and T-shirts with our logo are available to purchase from local suppliers but are not compulsory. We do not have an official supplier.

School uniform can be purchased cheaply from High Street stores and local supermarkets.

Second hand uniform is available from the school office.

Our uniform includes:

Nursery to Year 4

Red jumper / sweatshirt / cardigan

White polo shirt

Grey or Black skirt, pinafore dress, trousers or shorts

Black sensible shoes

Red / white checked dress

A warm coat

PE kit: Plain red t-shirt (or with the school logo but this is optional) , black shorts, sandshoes / plimsoles / trainers

Red hoodies and plain black tracksuit bottoms or plain black leggings are optional – these are useful for swimming / field days, and for outdoor PE sessions. Year 3/4 can bring plastic studded football boots for outdoor football / tag rugby, but are not compulsory.

Swimming: Suitable swimwear* Towel *Girls must wear one piece swimming costumes and boys must wear trunks or shorts no longer than knee length (These are the guidelines set by the swimming pool staff).

Please make sure all children's clothing is clearly labelled.

We do not have separate summer / winter uniform – these items can be worn throughout the year.

Year 5 and 6

Navy jumper / sweatshirt / cardigan

White polo shirt

Grey or Black skirt, pinafore dress, trousers or shorts

Black sensible shoes

Blue / white checked dress

A warm coat

PE kit: Plain navy t-shirt (or with the school logo but this is optional), black shorts, sandshoes / plimssoles / trainers

Navy hoodies and plain black tracksuit bottoms or plain black leggings are optional – these are useful for swimming / field days, and for outdoor PE sessions. Year 5/6 can bring plastic studded football boots for outdoor football / tag rugby but are not compulsory.

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Jewellery and Hair accessories: For health and safety reasons we do not allow children to wear jewellery or large cumbersome hair accessories. Earrings should not be worn to school.

Hair colour: We expect children to have natural hair colour shades for school. Bleaching and bright colours and extreme cuts / patterns should be left for school holidays.

If a student has a specific hair-related need due to religion or ethnicity, the school should be informed.

Nails and makeup: We expect children to have natural nails for school. Nail varnish (including gel nails, nail extensions, false nails etc) should be left for weekends and school holidays. Make-up is not to be worn to school.

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.

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.