

Lilycroft Primary School



School Uniform & Uniform Assistance Policy

This policy should be read alongside the School Prospectus and LEA Guidance on Free school Meals. Additionally; taking into account DFE, LEA & HSE guidance & requirements for schools.

Aims and objectives

At Lilycroft Primary our policy is based on the belief that a school uniform;

- Promotes a sense of pride in the school
- Creates a feeling of community and belonging
- Is practical and smart
- Identifies the children at Lilycroft Primary School
- Makes children feel equal to their peers in terms of appearance
- Is regarded as suitable, and good value for money
- Has been designed with Health & Safety in mind

Key roles and responsibilities

- The Governing Body has overall responsibility for the implementation of the School Uniform Policy and procedures of Lilycroft Primary School.
- The Governing Body has overall responsibility for ensuring that the School Uniform Policy, as written, does not discriminate on any grounds, including but not limited to ethnicity/national origin, culture, religion, gender, disability or sexual orientation.
- The Governing Body has overall responsibility for handling complaints regarding this policy as outlined in the school's Complaints Policy.
- The Headteacher will be responsible for the day-to-day implementation and management of the School Uniform Policy and procedures of Lilycroft

The role of parents

- We ask all parents who send their children to our school to support the school uniform policy. We believe that parents have a duty to send their children to school correctly dressed and ready for their daily schoolwork.
- Parents should ensure that their child has the correct uniform, and that it is clean and in good repair.
- If any parent has concerns regarding the uniform policy, they should make representation, in the first instance, to the Headteacher.
- The school welcomes children from all backgrounds and faith communities. If there are serious reasons why parents want their child to wear clothes that differ from the school uniform, they should contact the Headteacher as soon as possible. Similarly, should an item of the school uniform prove problematic for a pupil with

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disabilities, then parents are invited to draw this to the attention of the Headteacher. The school will not treat pupils with disabilities unfavourably.

Monitoring and review

When monitoring this policy, through it's committee work, the Governing Body will:

- Seek the view of parents, to be sure that they agree with the policy, and support it;
- Consider, with the Headteacher any requests from parents for individual children to have special dispensations;
- Require the Headteacher to report to the Governors on the way the policy is being implemented.

The school policy will be reviewed by the Governing Body every three years, or earlier if considered necessary.

School Uniform

School uniform plays an important role in making sure children are “ready to learn” as well as developing a sense of the community. Therefore we ask that all children wear the following uniform which has been chosen to be smart, practical and good value. Uniform items with the school logo, can be purchased through school or local supplier. The school colours are maroon and grey, the suggested uniform is as follows;

- Maroon school sweatshirt/cardigan (with the school logo)
- White shirt/polo shirt (does not need to have logo)
- Dark grey skirt, grey pinafore dress or grey trousers or checked red dress for the summer
- Black trousers
- White, grey, black socks or tights
- Black shoes or trainers.
- Black sandals may be worn in hot weather
- If you wish your child to wear traditional dress of any particular culture this could be in the school colours of maroon, black or grey
- Headscarves should be in grey, black, white or maroon and as plain as possible

Book Bags

It is very important that your child brings a book bag to school every day. As well as their reading books, letters and homework are sent home in the bag.

Children can buy a book bag for £5.00 from Mrs Alam (Parental Liaison Officer).

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Physical Education

PE Kit

We require that our pupils change for PE activities. They need an appropriately labelled PE kit consisting of the following:

- Trainers/pumps
- Socks
- Plain white T-Shirt
- Black shorts / black tracksuit bottoms/black leggings
- Black tracksuit for outdoor games in cold weathers

PE kit should be brought to school on Monday mornings and only taken home on Fridays. This will allow flexibility for their class teacher.

If a child does not have their PE kits they will miss PE lessons and a letter will be sent home.

IT IS ESSENTIAL THAT ALL ITEMS OF CLOTHING WORN AT SCHOOL ARE CLEARLY LABELLED WITH YOUR CHILD'S NAME.

Jewellery

On Health & Safety grounds we prefer children not to wear any jewellery in our school, however if necessary; pupils are allowed to wear a watch, one earring per lobe – small stud only. Pupils are not permitted to wear necklaces (other than for faith reasons) and bracelets/bands or any kind.

Please note: No responsibility can be taken for valuable items worn in school.

Haircuts

The school encourages children not to have haircuts that could serve as a distraction to other children. For Health & Safety reasons, long hair should always be tied back for PE.

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School Uniform Assistance / Hardship

Assistance with school uniform costs will be given to parents whose children are currently in receipt of eligibility based Free School Meals (*not universal Free School Meals for children in Reception, Year 1 & Year 2*). This will be evidenced by eligibility records provided by the local authority.

Assistance will be advertised to parents via school newsletters and the school website and parents will be expected to make an application/enquiry to the school if they require assistance.

Assistance will normally be offered once a year and depending on what is required may be offered in the form of:

- Some new items of uniform provided by the school
- A clothing voucher for £26 can be redeemed at Natasha's Schoolwear

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In exceptional circumstances assistance may be given more than once a year and this will be at the discretion of the Headteacher.

The value of these items will not exceed £26 per year per child and the funding for any items will come from the Pupil Premium Income.

At Lilycroft Primary School the first £26.00 of every Free School Meal Child's order will be paid by Pupil Premium Funding.

If assistance is not provided and the parent disagrees with this decision there is a right of appeal to the Headteacher and/or the Chair of Governors.

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