



# **Cramlington Village Primary School Uniform Policy**

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## School Uniform Policy

Our school uniform policy is provided to give clarity of expectation for children, staff and families so that we can all be working on the same basis. Rationale used to develop our policy has developed with reference to the following:

a school uniform promotes a sense of pride in the school, looks smart, is practical, affordable and makes children feel equal to their peers in terms of appearance.

Children are required to wear the uniform to school at all times from Nursery to Year 6. All pupils must wear the uniform or PE uniform when representing the school at events and during educational visits/learning expeditions, unless stated otherwise. Children are at all times ambassadors for the school and never more so than when in larger groups on trips and learning expeditions. The children should wear the uniform with pride, as it identifies them as pupils of CVPS.

Our school uniform for children from Foundation Stage through to Year 4 will consist of the following:

<b>Girls</b>	<b>Boys</b>
Dark grey trousers, skirt or pinafore	Dark grey trousers or shorts in the summer term
White named polo shirt with school logo (Available from Tesco's embroidery online service)	White named polo shirt with school logo (Available from Tesco's embroidery online service)
A purple named school sweatshirt or cardigan (Available from Tesco's embroidery online service)	A purple named school sweatshirt (Available from Tesco's embroidery online service)
Dark grey or black tights or white socks	Dark grey or black socks for boys
Summer dress for girls in the summer term optional (Lilac check)	
1 plain Swimsuit (not bikini)	Plain Swimming trunks (not shorts)
School fleece lined waterproof coats with logo (Available from Tesco)	School fleece lined waterproof coats with logo (Available from Tesco)
Water bottle with school logo (purchased from school office)	Water bottle with school logo (purchased from school office)
Purple book bags with logo (purchased from school office)	Purple book bags with logo (purchased from school office)
Purple PE bags with logo	Purple PE bags with logo

(purchased from school office)

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**Examples of uniform including coat, bag and water bottle.**



**Black shoes or black boots in the winter**

The shoes children wear should be sensible for learning and playtimes, so strapless shoes, flip flops, enclosed at the toes or heels, sandals and shoes with high heels are not allowed. Children should be able to fasten their own shoes. Boots should be plain black, without motifs, tassles, characters or different coloured piping.

**Examples of shoes for boys**



**Examples of shoes for girls**



**PE**

Black shorts
White school embroidered logo'd t-shirt (from Tesco online service)
Black sand shoes
<b>From Year 1</b>
Black or grey jogging pants suitable for exercise (not flared)
Sweatshirt or fleece
Trainers

## Examples of PE clothing and footwear



## Names

We respectfully ask that children are provided with the correct uniform and that **all items are named** including shoes and socks. It is a parent's/carer's responsibility to ensure that all clothing is labelled to help us to teach children to become independent and have responsibility for their own property. If uniform is misplaced it will be easy to identify if named.

**Tesco Online** - <http://www.clothingattesco.com/cramlington-village-primary-school/inv/138257>

Tesco's online embroidery service supplies all our uniform and school receives a 5% commission towards school funds. Online ordering is available all year round, however **it can be exceptionally busy during August so please order uniform in June and July to ensure you receive it in plenty of time.** The school has a small stock of items for those who do not have access to internet ordering.

### **Years 5 and 6**

**As ambassadors for our school and to show the additional responsibility that we want to award the older children in our school we have decided to create a different uniform for them that sets them apart from the rest of school.**

We acknowledge that in Years 5 and 6 pupils will start to exert more influence over their clothes and be able to show more independence getting prepared. For these reasons our uniform policy become more stringent to ensure that pupils understand the need to develop self discipline and respect, and develop their life skill in the working world.

Pupils must wear a school blazer, with a shirt or blouse and a tie to indicate the additional responsibility that they hold as senior members of our school community. Footwear will be expected to meet school requirements and there will be additional PE kit to reflect the wider range of sport that pupils will experience in senior school.

Length of skirts should be around the knee and style of white socks for girls can be ankle length in the summer and knee height in the autumn and spring terms. Girls are not able to wear over the knee socks at school. Black or grey tights can be worn if preferred as in the rest of school.

With regard to boys shoes we promote that boys wear proper leather school shoes, not trainers, or other leisure wear.

### **Personal belongings**

Please be aware that the school cannot be held responsible for children's personal belongings that are brought into school. Please ensure that other than those items that staff request children bring in to support the curriculum, it is not advised for children to bring in toys and games from home.

Those children in Foundation Stage who still use comforters will be supported to be weaned off them when at school by developing their self esteem and confidence. We will work with parents for this to happen gently.

### **Mobile phones**

Mobile phones can be brought to school by those children from Years 5 and 6 who start to make their own way to and from school. They should be handed into the class teacher at the start of each day, and can be collected from the class teacher at the end of the day. They should be named and turned off when in school. **Other year groups cannot bring mobile phones to school. Children bring mobile phones into school at their own risk. The school does not accept responsibility for damage or loss of children's mobile phones.**

### **Jewellery**

Parents are asked not to allow their children to wear any jewellery to school. There have been some serious accidents in schools when children have been hurt during the school day because of jewellery which has obstructed children's play or the equipment they use during their learning.

If children have their ears pierced please limit doing this until the beginning of the school summer holidays. Pupils are not able to wear any earrings or other piercings in school. Pupils will not be able to participate in PE or other active learning experiences if they wear jewellery. Again we ask that parents support us in our efforts not only to minimise accidents at school but also to help children learn about the expectations in secondary school and in the workplace. Staff will obviously also adhere to these health and safety recommendations when leading PE activities as well.

### **Make-up**

Children should not wear make-up to school.

### **Nail Polish**

Children should not wear nail polish at school.

### **Hair**

Children who have their hair long or with a long fringe are asked to wear hair tied back and add clips where needed. Long hair can easily be caught during a range of activities. Fringes that hang over the face can be a big distraction to a child's concentration levels and can limit children's ability to see screens and print. It is not acceptable to wear braids in hair or beaded dreadlocks. Tramlines and shaved patterns are not acceptable. Hair should be undyed.

### **Parental role**

We ask all parents who send their children to CVPS to support the school uniform policy. We believe that parents have a significant and active duty to send their children correctly dressed and ready for work. One of the responsibilities of parents/carers is to ensure their child has the correct uniform, and that it is clean and in good repair.

If any parent would like the school to make reasonable adjustments to this uniform policy for specific needs that their child has, they should first speak with the principal. The school welcomes children from all backgrounds and faith communities.

### **Principal's role**

The principal will decide what is to be done if a pupil's appearance is judged to be inappropriate or non compliant with this policy. If any pupil arrives at school dressed inappropriately, they will either be asked to change what they are wearing or be given a shared-use uniform to wear for the rest of the day. The school principal is responsible for extending avenues of support to families who struggle to provide appropriate uniform to their children to meet the requirements of this policy. Our uniform policy is designed to accommodate all faiths and backgrounds. If parents feel they would like to discuss any aspect of the policy, please contact the school principal.

### **Governing body's role**

The governing body approves the implementation of the school uniform policy and works with the principal to ensure it is implemented fairly and with sensitivity. It is the responsibility of the governors to ensure that school uniform is hard wearing, safe and practical and meets all regulations concerning equal opportunities.

The school reserves the right to exclude if children repeatedly come to school wearing incorrect uniform.