School Uniform Policy Low Ash Primary School



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Rationale

Our policy has been created with value for money, health and safety and practicality at its heart. It has been designed to ensure children wear clothing conducive to a learning environment. It is important that our children feel a sense of belonging and community through a smart and practical uniform. We believe a uniform allows all children, regardless of background, to feel equal to their peers and confident in their appearance. We also believe it is important for activities to be facilitated by specialised and appropriate clothing such as sports activities.

We rely on the cooperation of parents/carers in supporting school uniform at Low Ash Primary School and ask you to ensure that your child wears the correct uniform. Please refer to the list below identifying the uniform, PE uniform and rules regarding jewellery. Please note that garments worn underneath uniform should be unobtrusive (eg a white vest under a white shirt).

Uniform List

Winter

Long Grey Tailored Trousers
Grey Skirt or Pinafore Dress (with white, grey, black or red tights)
White shirt / polo shirt with short/long sleeves
Red Pullover/Jumper/ Sweatshirt/ Cardigan
Sensible black school shoes or ankle boots (not trainers) must be worn.

For periods of bad weather, we ask that you provide the following:

Wellies/ outdoor shoes Waterproof trousers Warm, waterproof coat

Summer

Short Grey Trousers
White Shirt or polo shirt with short / long sleeves
White or Grey Socks
Red/White Check Gingham Dress is an option
Red Pullover/Jumper/ Sweatshirt/ Cardigan
Sensible black school shoes or ankle boots (not trainers) must be worn.

PE kit (children come in PE kit on identified PE days Indoor

Pair of pumps
Pair of black/navy shorts
Plain white t-shirt

Outdoor

Black/navy long track suit bottoms
Plain white t-shirt
Black/navy tracksuit top or red fleece
Trainers

Further considerations

Jewellery

Children are **not permitted to wear jewellery** in the school grounds due to health and safety risks except one pair of stud earrings which will need to be removed or taped over for PE lessons. When swimming, earrings must be removed in accordance with the pool's regulations.

Nail varnish should not be worn.

Labelling

All clothing and footwear should be clearly labelled with your child's name.

Religious items and clothing

We do not discriminate and welcome all pupils regardless of faith or belief. However, the school must also weigh the needs and rights of individual pupils against the cohesion and health and safety concerns of the entire school community. Parents' concerns and requests regarding religious clothing will be dealt with on a case-by-case basis.

Uniform Stockists

Whittakers <u>www.whittakersschoolwear.co.uk</u> 21 Briggate, Shipley, BD17 7PB

Your School Uniform (<u>www.yourschooluniform.com</u>)
Online only

Financial Assistance

Low Ash Primary School supports vulnerable families in meeting the costs of uniforms.

A total amount of £26.00 School Uniform Assistance will be given for each child who meets the eligibility criteria as follows once each academic year:

- Eligible for means-tested Free School Meals
- Specific vulnerable groups (such as Looked After Children or children on the edge of care or care leavers, young carers, Asylum Seekers or children newly arrived in the country)

 Other exceptional or temporary circumstances that are based on the school's knowledge of a child's circumstances (such as a sick or disabled relative, a recent bereavement or a recent loss of job).

The parent/carer must bring to school a receipt which states 'school uniform' from the uniform stockist named above or alternatively school uniform providers e.g., Asda. The school will reimburse the parent/carer to a maximum of £26.00. A cheque will then be given to the parent/carer from the School Enabling Account Bank Account within a period of seven days of school receiving the receipt. In exceptional circumstances £26.00 cash will be given from the Enabling Account Petty Cash.

Responsibility for Approval of Claims

Claims must be approved by one of the Co-Headteachers, plus the School Business Manager.

Appeals for unsuccessful claims can be taken to the Governing Body Appeals Committee,

The School Business Manager will retain the records of:-

- all claims (including any unsuccessful claims)
- its decisions on the allocation of financial support
- all payments or other forms of assistance.

Signed:	Chair of	Governors
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