### **Policy & Procedure**



# Uniform Policy 2025 v2

This policy is reviewed as required and was agreed by the Governing Body of Newcroft Primary Academy on 19<sup>th</sup> May 2025.

Signed: Chair of Governors

Date: 19th May 2025.

## **Non-Statutory Policy**

The Governors and Senior Leadership team of Newcroft Primary Academy have an expectation that children will wear school uniform to:

- foster respect and pride in appearance;
- help establish a positive attitude to school;
- differentiate between leisure and school time and associated expectations;
- help reinforce the sense of belonging and identity;
- encourage children to recognise what the outside world expects;
- prepare children for secondary school.

#### How we ensure our uniform is 'good value' and accessible to all

It is our priority to ensure that uniform is of low cost and that parents are able to access second hand uniform. Parents may opt for their children to wear plain or logo/ branded uniform. Plain uniform is available from all supermarkets and other suppliers at a low cost.

- Logo/ branded uniform can be purchased from one of our 3 suppliers, at a low cost.
- Our Friends of Newcroft PTA run a second-hand uniform sale on their Facebook page. Many
  of these items are free of charge or at a very low cost. The school holds stock of second hand
  and new uniform in all sizes. Parents should speak to the office or their child's class teacher at
  any time.
- Pupils in receipt of Pupil Premium funding are automatically funded for 50% of their uniform costs. Parents should contact the office for support.
- We encourage families to pass uniform down through siblings and friends. To support this, we have 4 houses with coloured T shirts for PE. All children starting at Newcroft follow in the footsteps of their older sibling/s and are allocated the same house.
- We made some small changes to the appearance of our sheep logo in the 2019-20 academic year. Children are welcome to wear the old and newer logos, as well as t shirts without the school's logo.
- Our indoor and outdoor shoe system allows for parents to send their child in low-cost plimsolls for indoor shoes and trainers for outdoor. Expensive black school shoes are not a requirement at Newcroft.
- When making decisions about our uniform policy, we have considered the school's obligations under the Human Rights Act, 1998 and Equality Act, 2010. We have considered the impact of our policy on pupils with the following protected characteristics: sex, religion or belief, race (including colour, nationality, ethnic or national origin), disability, gender reassignment or pregnancy. Parents are encouraged to speak to the Head teacher or SENCo where relevant, about how we can support their child in making adaptations to our uniform. This applies to all pupils.

#### **School uniform requirements**

Basic Items of Clothing	Colour
V neck jumper with/without school logo	Red
Cardigan with/without school logo	Red
School Tie (optional)	Red with white stripe
Plain shirt or blouse	White
Polo shirt with/without school logo	White
Plain school trousers or shorts	Grey or black
Plain pinafore style dress, or plain skirt	Grey or black
School Summer dress	Red and white (gingham or stripe)
Indoor Shoes	Dark colour
Outdoor Shoes	Black school style shoes or trainers
Clothing for PE	
Plain shorts or skort	Black
Plain jogging bottoms for winter	Black
Plain house coloured T Shirt with/ without logo	Red, Green, Blue or Yellow (dependent on
	allocated house)
Plain house coloured round neck sweatshirt with/	Red, Green, Blue or Yellow (dependent on
without logo	allocated house)
Plain trainers or plimsoles	Black

#### Other Acceptable Clothing:

- Any headwear may be worn for religious or cultural purposes. This should be plain black. This may also be worn for PE.
- Leggings or jogging bottoms may be worn as part of the basic school uniform. Parents should contact the Head teacher or SENCo, to discuss their child's needs and to obtain permission.

#### The following items are not suitable for school:

- Jeans
- Football shirts/shorts
- Designer shoes or clothing
- Platform-soled shoes
- Crop tops and shoestring strapped tops
- Crocs

#### **Swimming Kit**

- Swimming trunks/shorts and one-piece swimsuits should be worn for swimming lessons.
- Pupils may wear a full body swimsuit.
- Bikinis are not appropriate.
- Long hair should be tied back for safety reasons.
- All jewellery (including earrings) should be removed.
- Goggles are permitted and a letter of authorisation, available from the school office, is requested from parents.

#### **Purchasing Uniform**

All uniform can be purchased from one our uniform suppliers as shown on our <u>website</u> or from any low cost supplier, such as supermarkets. It is not necessary for parents to purchase any logo branded uniform.

#### Shoes

Children should wear appropriate footwear for school to ensure their safety. Crocs are not suitable for school. Newcroft has an 'indoor' and 'outdoor' shoe policy to provide comfort while learning and to keep our carpets and classroom floors clean where pupils sit. This also enables children to enjoy the outdoors without being concerned that their footwear is too dirty to wear indoors.

Children are required to have a separate pair of dark, clean, flat and comfortable indoor shoes and these will be left in school. Children need a further pair of trainers or outdoor school shoes that can also be used for outdoor PE, if suitable.

## ALL CLOTHING AND FOOTWEAR SHOULD BE CLEARLY LABELLED with stick on, sewn in or hand written labels.

#### Cosmetics

Nail varnish, make up and tattoo transfers should not be worn at school.

#### **Jewellery**

- If possible, pupils should not wear jewellery of any kind.
- Wrist watches are permitted.
- Smart watches such as Apple watches, are not permitted.
- Jewellery should not be worn for PE, games or swimming. If a child is unable to remove their
  jewellery, it may be covered with microporous tape during the activity.

#### **Earrings**

- Children with pierced ears may wear simple stud type earrings only. In the rare circumstances
  that children cannot remove their earrings for PE, they will be covered with microporous tape for
  the duration of the lesson.
- It is expected that children in Key Stage 2 will remove their own jewellery prior to a P.E. lesson. It is unlikely that children in Reception or KS1 will be able to do this independently; parents should ensure that their children do not wear earrings on their class PE days.
- Staff cannot not be responsible for bathing ears, removing or replacing earrings.