



Uniform Policy 2023 v1

This policy is reviewed as required as was agreed by the Governing Body of Newcroft Primary Academy on 3rd July 2023

Signed: _____ Chair of Governors

Date: 3rd July 2023

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 2 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 our sheep logo in 2019-20, but have simply phased this in. Children continue 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	Red
School Tie (optional)	Red with white stripe
Cardigan with/without school logo	Red
Polo shirt with/without school logo	White
Plain shirt or blouse	White
Plain school trousers or shorts	Grey or black
Plain pinafore dress, or plain skirt	Grey or black
School Summer dress	Red and white (gingham)
Indoor Shoes	Dark colour

The following items are not suitable for school:

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

PE kit

We have 4 houses at Newcroft: Swithland (blue), Beaumanor (red), Beacon (yellow) and Bradgate (green). All pupils represent their houses in PE and parents are asked to purchase a PE T shirt in the house colours together with plain black shorts to be worn in PE sessions.

Pupils from Reception age need:

- Clean trainers or black plimsolls for indoor PE
- Trainers for outdoor exercise
- Black jogging bottoms or leggings for outdoor PE
- Parents are advised to provide their child with a lightweight waterproof jacket or tracksuit top for outdoor activities

Swimming Kit

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

Purchasing Uniform

The following items can be purchased from the school office: Jumpers, Cardigans, and PE T shirts.

All Trousers, skirts and summer dresses can be purchased from one of our uniform suppliers or from any low cost supplier such as supermarkets. Please contact the school office or look under the uniform section of our website for our suppliers details.

Shoes

Children should wear appropriate footwear for school to ensure their safety.

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 (until they need to be replaced). Children need a further pair of trainers or outdoor shoes that can also be used for outdoor PE.

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.
- 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.