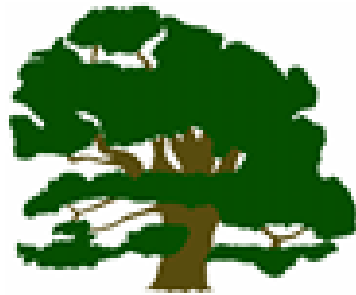


Messingham Primary School

Uniform Policy



Responsible Committee	Full Governors
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Signed on behalf of Governing Body	
Print Name	

Principles

Our policy is that all children who attend Messingham Primary School should wear clothing that is in keeping with a purposeful learning ethos. We also believe that certain school activities are facilitated by specialised and appropriate clothing (including organised events outside normal school hours).

Aims Our policy is based on the belief that a school uniform:

- promotes a sense of pride in the school
- engenders a feeling of belonging
- is practical and distinctive
- identifies the children with the school
- is not distracting in class (as fashion clothing might be)
- makes children feel equal to one another in terms of appearance
- reflects the sense both of community and of diversity that the school takes pride in • is regarded as suitable, and good value for money, by most parents.

All children (Reception – Year 6) need:

- Red sweatshirt/jumper/cardigan – sweatshirts and cardigans with the school logo on are available from Shah's/ Tesco in Scunthorpe. As part of the new uniform guidance from the DFE the school does not enforce a logo on clothing. Plain items can be purchased from local supermarkets.
- Red polo t-shirt/white polo shirt/ white school shirt.
- Grey /black school trousers /skirt/pinafore dress. Please note –no fashion trousers, jeans or leggings.
- Plain socks
- Flat, black sensible school shoes. Shoes are to be plain black. Crocs or open toed sandals are not acceptable. Children who have problems with their feet may be allowed to wear alternative footwear. A note from a reputable practitioner should accompany such a request. This should be discussed with the Head teacher.
- During summer months, pupils may wear a red gingham dress or black/grey shorts.
- During winter months, Uggs etc are **not** allowed to be worn in school.
- Black boots may be worn in winter months and during wet weather.
- Children may bring wellington boots into to school for snow/ wet weather.

For PE all children (Reception – Year 6) need:

- Plain Red T shirt/ Polo Shirt with no logo
- Black PE shorts or track-suit bottoms/ leggings
- Black trainers

PE Kit should be worn to school on PE days and for sports afterschool clubs.

Jewellery and Headwear

On health and safety grounds, we do not allow children to wear jewellery to school except for ONE pair of small, plain stud earrings. Please ensure that your child is able to remove earrings themselves as we do not allow them to be worn for PE. We do not allow headware to be worn during class time or inside school buildings, except for religious or medical reasons.

Watches – these must be plain, not 'chunky' or 'novelty' watches. Smart watches are not allowed.

These watches will be expected to be handed into the class teacher every morning as with phones. Any breach of this may result in a school wide ban.

All clothing should be clearly labelled with your child's name. This is especially important, as uniform items look similar and can easily be confused for another child's. The school cannot accept responsibility for any lost items.

Children who are not wearing the correct uniform will be told so by a member of staff and will be expected to conform. The class teacher will remind children about the school uniform rules. If changes are not made then the class teacher will speak to parents. If children continually attend school wearing clothing which is deemed not to be uniform the matter will be referred to the Senior Leadership team who will contact parents. Parents are expected to support the school in such matters.

The school reserves the right to be the judge of what is and what is not suitable uniform.

By sending their children to Messingham Primary school, parents / carers are agreeing to support this uniform policy. The Governors are very appreciative of the efforts parents take to ensure that the pupils of Messingham Primary are smartly dressed when coming to school.

Role of Class teachers and Support Staff

- Set a good example in terms of dress. Dress should be smart with no low cut tops or too short skirts. Trousers should not be denim or a 'jean' type. Male members of staff should wear a shirt with a collar. PE kit should be worn for PE.
- Remember that in our respective roles we serve the local community as a set of professionals.
- To remind children to wear school uniform and to inform parents/carers if this continues.
- To refer continuing breaches to the Senior Leadership Team.

Role of the Headteacher

- The Headteacher is to ensure that pupils comply with the uniform policy agreed by the governing body.
- The Headteacher has a duty to enforce the school uniform throughout the school community, as part of the duty for the maintenance of day to day discipline in the school.
- The Headteacher or a member of the Senior Leadership team will speak to the parents of children who persistently do not wear the correct uniform.
- The school will follow the DfE guidelines and will not consider exclusion from the school where a pupil fails to comply with the school's rules on uniform.

- The Headteacher is to ensure that staff are dressed appropriately and set a good example for the children.

Role of the Parents/Guardians

- To ensure that their child / children adhere to the school's uniform policy.
- To ensure that staff are informed if there are any specific reasons for a child not wearing uniforms.
- Ensure that they come to school in uniform everyday unless there are special circumstances such as non-uniform days.
- To ensure that all uniform is labelled correctly and clearly.