



Clawton Primary Uniform Expectations.

It is our school expectation that all children wear school uniform when attending school, or when participating in school-organised events outside normal school hours. Wearing school uniform creates a sense of belonging and pride and is an important aspect of being pupils at Clawton School and continually aspiring to excellence as standard.

We ask children to wear their shirts tucked into their skirts, trousers or shorts and to take pride in their personal appearance. Some items of uniform can be bought through school whilst others are easily available, at very competitive prices, at local shops including supermarkets. A complete list of the items needed for school uniform including those for Physical Education, is printed at the end of this document,

Jewellery, Watches, Hair Ornaments, Make-up and Nail Varnish: For health and safety reasons we do not allow children to wear jewellery. The exceptions to this rule are earring studs in pierced ears, and small objects of religious significance. Children are required to remove any items during PE lessons to prevent them from causing injury. Please note: Teachers are not permitted to remove earrings. Wrist watches may be worn but only for the purpose of telling the time. 'Smart' watches linked to mobile phones are not permitted. Hair bands, ribbons/bows or 'scrunchies' should be plain.

Make up and nail varnish should not be worn by any child in school unless for an out of school hours function, for example a school disco. Extreme hairstyles are not appropriate for school. The use of styling products should be kept to a minimum and children should not have decorative patterns or 'tram lines' cut into their hair or have their hair coloured or dyed. For health and safety reasons and to ensure it does not distract from learning, we advise that long hair be tied back.

Footwear: For health and safety reasons we do not allow children to wear shoes with platform soles or high heels. All children are required to wear plain black shoes or trainers without logos as stated in the uniform list. If boots are worn these should also be plain black. If boots are large and prevent children from sitting comfortably on the floor they may be asked to change into their PE shoes whilst inside the school building. It is important to note that part of the school day is spent outside playing with peers and for this reason some ballet style pumps are not appropriate as they can pose a health and safety risk when running.

The Role of Parents

We believe that one of the responsibilities of parents is to ensure that their child has the correct uniform and PE kit, and that it is clean, in good repair and that the child's name is written on all items. If a parent has difficulties for any reason with fulfilling this request they are asked to speak confidentially to a senior member of staff to discuss the issues. Parents should be assured that we will do all we can to help. Children who arrive at school wearing



non-school uniform clothing will be loaned an appropriate item from our nearly new shop to wear for that day. The same system will apply for children who do not have a PE kit. Parents will be contacted to discuss the matter. The school welcomes children from all backgrounds and faith communities. If there are serious reasons, for example on religious grounds, why parents want their child to wear clothes that differ from the school uniform, the school will consider such requests sympathetically. If any parent would like to request a modification to the uniform policy they should, in the first instance, contact the head teacher.

Although not part of the specific uniform policy, we expect children to be sent to school with an appropriate coat for the weather and time of year.

The Role of the Local School Committee: The LSC supports the head teacher in implementing the school uniform policy. It is the LSCs' responsibility to ensure that the school uniform meets all regulations concerning equal opportunities. They also ensure that the school uniform policy enables children to dress sensibly, in clothing that is hard wearing, safe and practical.

School Uniform List:

We have the following items of school uniform (royal blue with school logo) available to order:

Sweatshirt - age 3-4, 5-6, 7-8, 9-10, 11-12 @ £8.80

Fleece (optional) - age 3-4, 5-6, 7-8, 9-10, 11-12 @ £12.75

Cardigan (optional) - age 3-4, 5-6, 7-8, 9-10, 11-12 @ £12.45

PE T'shirt (royal blue, Clawton on the back) - age 4, 6, 8, 10, 12 @ £5

These can be purchased via the 'shop' tab on the School Money system - and everyone already in our school should have a log on for this; if anyone has forgotten their details and needs a password reset just let us know. New parents will be provided with a login shortly.

Other items required are:

A white polo shirt, trousers/skirt or pinafore (dark grey preferred), optional royal blue gingham dress for summer - black school shoes/plain black trainers.

PE kit:

Black or navy shorts, Clawton PE Shirt, change of footwear (this should be kept in school or brought in every day). In the colder months the children need a black or navy tracksuit or joggers/warm top so we can exercise outside. The children also need to keep waterproofs and wellies in school for outdoor learning.