

SCHOOL UNIFORM AND APPEARANCE

At our school there is an expectation that children will wear the appropriate school uniform so that they come to school well-presented and ready to learn. We do not stipulate where uniform needs to be purchased from in order to ensure it is accessible and affordable to all our families.

UNIFORM

At **Hevingham** children wear: white or pale blue shirts or polo shirts (with no logos); grey or black trousers, shorts, skirts or pinafores and a navy sweatshirt/cardigan (preferably with the school logo); coats are worn in winter months and children are not allowed to wear 'hoodies' instead.

Girls can opt to wear pale blue checked dresses in the summer months. Order forms for Hevingham uniform are available via the Friends of Hevingham. If UV is over 3, children will need to wear a sunhat to go outside

PE KIT

At school children should have a PE kit which remains in school for the whole week. Children should wear: plain white t shirts (strictly no football/club shirts); black or navy shorts and white socks. Children should have a pair of non-marking training shoes or plimsolls. A sweat shirt and tracksuit bottoms may be worn in cold winter months.

We do recognise and of course understand that there are occasions when an item of clothing has been lost or there is a particular reason why a child may not for instance be wearing the school jumper. Please send a note explaining the reason to the class teacher. Children are not permitted to wear 'hoodies' or sweatshirts with brand logos and will be loaned a school sweatshirt which will be washed by yourselves and returned to the school.

For swimming your child will need their swimming costume or shorts, towel, hat and goggles.

SHOES

Children should wear black school shoes. Black leather training shoes without any branding are permitted. Shoes with heels or boots are not permitted. There may be certain circumstances where alternative foot wear may be allowed, such as medical conditions etc.

PLEASE NAME ALL ITEMS OF KIT AND CLOTHING. We do keep lost property until the end of each half term by which time if it remains unclaimed, it is recycled or used as spares in school.

APPEARANCE

We encourage children to take pride in their appearance at school as this is a lifelong skill and helps individuals to develop self-respect. We expect the children in our school to **look** like children and not 'mini adults' (there is plenty of time for that in later years). You can also expect to see adults that work in school appropriately and professionally dressed, to set a good example to your children. We recognise potential needs for adaptations to our policy to suit different cultural & religious reasons.

HAIR

We expect children to come to school with clean and natural hairstyles and colours. Hair that is longer than shoulder length or with a fringe that gets in your child's eyes should be tied up and clipped back enabling children to work efficiently and safely throughout the school day. We do not allow 'tram lines' or 'carved' hairstyles or hair products as we have found this to be very distracting. We do however often have non-uniform days linked with themes or to fundraising events and on these days it is fine to dress hair in different ways (only if desired – as long as changes are reversible for the next day!).

CLEANLINESS

We encourage children to look after their personal hygiene. Please ensure your child comes to school clean with school uniform that is fresh and presentable. This helps children feel confident about themselves. We do know that children might look a bit different at the end of a busy and active day!

JEWELLERY

THE SCHOOL RULE IS THAT JEWELLERY SHOULD NOT BE WORN.

Jewellery can be a risk to children and others in an active and busy school day not just during PE (Design technology, drama, dance, playtimes etc). One set of small stud earrings will be permitted and must be either removed or taped over during P.E. lessons and removed by the child for swimming. We strongly urge parents/carers of children wishing to have their child's ears pierced, that this should be done at the very beginning of the summer holidays, so that children can safely remove them for sporting activities at school in Autumn, we cannot remove earrings or put them back in. Children may wear a watch to school, be aware that any breakages or losses will not be paid for by the school.

Wristbands/necklaces, rings and bracelets are not permitted.

If any of the information about the wearing of jewellery presents a problem please come in and discuss your concerns with a member of staff.

SECOND HAND UNIFORM

Friends of Hevingham Primary have regular sales of second-hand uniform. These events are publicised however you can contact them directly if you need something specific in between events.