



PITMASTON PRIMARY SCHOOL School Uniform Policy



It is our policy at Pitmaston Primary School that all children wear the Pitmaston school uniform when attending school or participating in school events inside or outside of school, unless stated for an external visit. We encourage children to maintain a good standard of clean and tidy dress in school at all times. We provide a full list of school uniform required at Pitmaston Primary school below. All uniform and book bags can be purchased from 'Schooltogs' <https://www.monkhouse.com/parentguide>

Purpose:

We believe that a school uniform is important for a number of reasons:

- it promotes a sense of pride and respect for our school;
- it contributes to a sense of belonging and community;
- it looks smart and is practical;
- makes children feel equal to their peers in terms of appearance;
- it prevents children from coming to school in fashion clothes that could be distracting to others;
- is designed with Health and Safety in mind.

In line with the Education (Guidance about Costs of School Uniform) Act 2021, our school uniform is considered to be good value for money. The School Parent Teacher Association (PTA) provide a second hand school uniform shop, please visit the Parent PTA on the school website.

Jewellery and Accessories

On health and safety grounds we do not allow children to wear jewellery in our school. The exceptions to this rule are:

- earring studs in pierced ears (covered or removed during PE)
- watches can be worn, however in line with the Mobile Phone Policy, no Smart watches, Apples watches etc are permitted to be worn by pupils
- medical identification bracelets, worn by children who have significant medical problems eg. Diabetes or Epilepsy.

No nail varnish or make up is to be worn in school with the exception of permission for fundraising charity dressing up days.

Haircuts

To be safe, neat and tidy and all long hair should be tied back. Only school coloured hair bands and hair bobbles should be worn to school. Large bows and colourful hairbands are not suitable and should not be worn. Dyed Hair is not allowed unless special permission is given, for example for fund raising events. The school does not permit children to have 'extreme' haircuts that serve as a distraction to other children. Hairstyles and haircuts which are deemed too extreme include, but are not limited to, tramlines, stars, shaved heads, 'V' styles, Mohican cuts, or dyed, tipped or dipped hair. This also covers any other hairstyles deemed to be extreme at the discretion of the Headteacher.

Footwear

The school wants all children to grow into healthy adults. We believe that it is dangerous for children to wear shoes that have platform soles or high heels, so we do not allow children to wear such shoes in school. We require all children to wear black shoes as stated in the uniform list. On allocated PE days, trainers/pumps should be worn into school for the duration of the day. For Forest School allocated days, children should come into school in trainers and bring wellies to school.



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School Bags and Rucksacks

Children in Reception, Year 1 and 2 should come to school with a Pitmaston Book bag available from 'Schooltogs' <https://www.monkhouse.com/parentguide> Rucksacks should not be brought to school, they cannot be accommodated in the Book Bag boxes and cloakrooms.

Children in Key Stage 2, Year 3 to Year 6, can bring one small rucksack to school. Large rucksacks cannot be accommodated in the cloakrooms.

The Role of Parents

We ask all parents who send their children to our school support the school uniform policy. We believe that parents have a duty to send their children to school correctly dressed and ready for their daily schoolwork. One of the responsibilities of parents is to ensure that their child has the correct uniform, and that it is clean and in good repair.

If any parent would like the school to modify the uniform policy, they should make representation, in the first instance, to the Headteacher. 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 these.

The Role of Governors

The Governing Body supports the Headteacher in implementing the school uniform policy. It considers all representations from parents regarding the uniform policy and liaises with the Headteacher to ensure that the policy is implemented fairly and with sensitivity.

It is the governors' responsibility to ensure that the school uniform meets all regulations concerning equal opportunities.

Governors ensure that the school uniform policy helps children to dress sensibly, in clothing that is hardwearing, safe and practical.

Uniform

Please ensure that **all uniform is clearly labelled** so that it can be returned to your child. We do keep lost property and return items to children where labelled. Unnamed school uniform in the lost property will be kept for a limited period of time and then donated to the second hand uniform shop or charity shops if suitable.

All children need a sensible, waterproof coat in school each day.



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Pre-School Nursery (required)	
Navy polo top with Pre-School Nursery logo Provide wellington boots to remain in Nursery	
Reception to Year 6 Summer Uniform (required)	Reception to Year 6 Winter Uniform (required)
Blue and White check dress (winter uniform may be worn if desired) Or grey trousers or shorts White shirt (short or long sleeved) and Pitmaston school tie Navy V-neck jumper or navy cardigan (with school logo - optional) Black school shoes Reception – provide wellington boots to remain in school	Grey trousers / skirt or grey pinafore dress (grey shorts can be worn if desired) White shirt (short or long sleeved) and Pitmaston school tie Navy V-neck jumper or navy cardigan (with school logo - optional) Black school shoes Reception – provide wellington boots to remain in school
PE kit (required)	Swimming Kit (Year 4 upwards) (required)
White collared polo top (with school logo - optional) Black shorts Navy round necked sweatshirt (with school logo - optional) Or school navy V-neck jumper or navy cardigan (with school logo - optional) Navy/Black Tracksuit bottoms Navy/black leggings Trainers or black pumps	Long hair should always be tied back Swimming cap and goggles – optional All swimwear, towels and bags should be clearly labelled No jewellery may be worn No aerosols are permitted

NB. The school has used the DfE non-statutory guidance on school uniform and agrees with the guidance given in the DfE booklet which states:

‘The school uniform plays a valuable role in contributing to the ethos of a school and setting an appropriate tone. The Department strongly encourages schools to have a uniform as it can instil pride; support positive behaviour and discipline; encourage identity with, and support for, schools ethos; ensure pupils of all races and backgrounds feel welcome; protect children from social pressures to dress in a particular way; and nurture cohesion and promote good relations between different groups of pupils. The Department also encourages schools to have a very clear position about appearance such as hair colour, style and length and the wearing of jewellery and make-up.’

This policy was approved by the Full Governing Body on 19.01.2023

This policy is due to be reviewed in Spring 2025