

School Uniform Policy



We are proud of our smart, practical, affordable Millfields School uniform

Rationale:

At Millfields, we encourage all of our children to wear their school uniform with pride. Our uniform is smart, simple, practical and affordable. It encourages a sense of school togetherness and promotes a professional attitude towards learning. It engenders a sense of community and belonging towards our school, identifies the children of our school, provides equality in terms of appearance and is designed with health and safety in mind.

In September there will be a school uniform crackdown which will be a small part of our wider strategies for driving up standards, expectations and aspirations of all our children. We are reinforcing to our children and to all parents and families that all successful organisations require rules and that if children are to succeed in school and in work they have to respect them.

We need to raise our game, but cannot do it on our own. We need your support. We need the continuous backing and involvement of all parents, families and your communities in order for all our children to thrive and become successful citizens. 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. All items should be clearly marked with your child's name.

Every week, there are lots of items of 'lost' clothing placed in the Lost Property Boxes, and this is often left unclaimed, so if it has a name, it is much easier to reunite with your child.

Communication:

If your child comes to school wearing an incorrect uniform, we will contact you verbally, by phone and/or email and ask you to bring in the appropriate clothing for the school day including PE kit.

Cost:

When deciding on the uniform policy we have given high priority to cost considerations. The school uniform has been sourced and priced so as not to leave children or their families feeling excluded. The cost of a uniform therefore does not stop parents from sending their child to Millfields.

You can purchase our school uniform in store or online available from: Trutex Hackney (Crossbow Schoolwear) 31 Broadway Market, Hackney, London E8 4PH 020 7923 9313

https://www.trutexhackney.com/collections/millfields-community-school-uniform

http://www.yourschooluniform.com/schools/index/millfields-community-school-44358

Alternatively, get better great quality second hand uniform from as little as 50p from:

https://uniformerly.co.uk/search-listings/?q=&c=8374

Any unwanted items of uniform may be given to the school office. We have second hand school uniform sales where you can purchase good quality second hand items.

Millfields School Uniform:



Summer Uniform:

Blue and white checked dress/blue/white polo shirt/navy sweatshirt or cardigan/ visible white socks (ie no 'trainer socks') or navy blue leggings/solid black school shoes or black trainers.

Winter Uniform:

White long or short sleeve shirt /navy fleece or sweatshirt/box pleat navy skirt or pinafore/navy trousers/solid black school shoes or black trainers/navy blue tights/leggings and or black socks

Footwear:

Children must wear closed-toed, all black plain shoes or trainers with a flat sole. Footwear with flashing lights is not appropriate for school. If shoes have laces they should be black. Children should not wear shoes with heels. The shoes children wear should be appropriate to the weather conditions. For example, closed toe black sandals are permitted in the summer months and black boots are allowed in the colder months.



Seasonal safety:

All children require a waterproof coat with a hood in school as the weather is changeable, cold or wet. Wellington boots may be worn to and from school during bad weather but shoes may be brought to school and worn during the school day. On hot sunny days children should be protected from the sun when outdoors by wearing a hat or cap.

PE Kit:

Indoor - white t-shirt/navy blue shorts or navy blue leggings/black plimsolls **Outdoor or cooler weather** - white t-shirt /navy blue jogging bottoms/trainers

We ask all of our children to wear their PE kit on the days that their class has a PE lesson/activity. To be able to participate fully in PE lessons children need to be dressed in a way which allows full freedom of movement. A football kit is not appropriate clothing for PE.

At Millfields, children attend swimming lessons during their time in Y3. During these lessons, school expects our children to have the appropriate swimwear. This consists of swimming trunks/bathing costume, a bathing cap and towel. Swimming caps are mandatory. Swimming goggles are optional.

Hair:

- All hair types and their cultural significance are celebrated and valued at our school
- All hair accessories such as slides, ribbons, bobbles must be plain black/navy
- Only small, plain black/navy hair bands/ headbands/ clips are permitted
- Hair must be neat and presentable
- Hair must always be kept off the face and not fall over the eyes
- Longer hair must be tied back during active/practical lessons e.g. PE, Science and Technology

Hats, Headscarves or Headwear:

When children are inside the building they are not allowed to wear hats, headscarves, or any other head covering unless it is due to religious or cultural reasons. Any head covering for religious or cultural values that are worn should be simple and in school colours (navy blue or black).

Jewellery:

On health and safety grounds we advise that children should not wear jewellery to school. However, small studs, in pierced ears, and small objects of religious significance are accepted. We ask the children to either remove these objects during PE and games, or cover them with a plaster, to prevent them from causing injury. Watches of any kind are not allowed to be worn.

School Uniform Policy Exceptions:

If any parent would like the school to modify the uniform policy for their child, 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 look sympathetically at such requests.

Similarly, should an item of school uniform prove problematic for a child with disabilities, then parents are invited to draw this to the attention of the headteacher. The school will not treat children with disabilities unfavourably.

As a parent/carer your assistance in enforcing the uniform policy will be gratefully received...