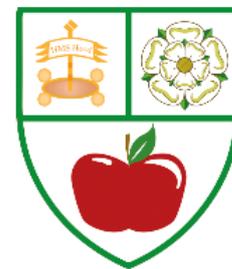


## Applegarth Primary School - Uniform Policy



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### **Rationale**

At Applegarth, we believe that a school uniform fosters a sense of identity, belonging and pride. We expect a high standard of appearance from all and our uniform provides parents with a practical cost effective means to do so. We encourage our children to take responsibility for their own appearance and to look clean, smart and tidy at all times. It is the responsibility of the parents to ensure their child is correctly dressed for school. Members of staff have responsibility for promoting the school's uniform policy by reminding pupils about the rules relating to appropriate dress.

### **Aims**

- To set a high standard of presentation for children at school.
- To make it clear to the whole school community the expectation of the uniform at Applegarth School.
- To promote a sense of pride in the school thereby promoting positive behaviour and attitudes.

### **Implementation**

We believe that school uniform ensures that:

- Everybody is dressed in practical clothes and looks smart.
- Children feel equal to others in terms of appearance.
- Clothing is not distracting in class and it is suitable for school.
- Clothing is designed with health and safety in mind.
- Children are identified with our school when taking part in out of school educational activities and visits.

### **Supporting dressing/undressing**

Sometimes it will be necessary for staff to aid a child in getting dressed or undressed (particularly in the Early Years or for those pupils with additional needs). Staff will always encourage children to attempt undressing and dressing unaided (see Intimate Care Policy).

### **Our school uniform is simple, smart and affordable. It consists of:**

- Red Applegarth School sweatshirt/cardigan or plain red sweatshirt/cardigan.
- White shirt/polo shirt or red polo shirt.
- Black/grey school trousers.
- Black/grey skirt or pinafore dress.
- Black shoes.

**There is an option to buy preloved uniform on our Uniform Order Form.** This is beneficial to the environment and can save families money.

**In warmer weather**, pupils may prefer to wear black/grey school shorts, black/grey culottes or a red chequered or striped summer dress/skirt. Sandals, if worn, must fasten securely around the ankle.

### **Uniform Rules at Applegarth School**

- No jewellery except wristwatches and small plain studs for pierced ears – both of which must be removed for PE and swimming (children having their ears pierced should do so at the start of the Summer holiday).
- No high-heeled shoes over 3cm. Boots should be black.

- Open toed or flimsy sandals are not safe.
- Trainers only as specialist sports shoes.
- Wellies for wet weather and snow weather.
- All clothing including coats and shoes **must be labelled with the pupil's name**. Coats should also have a hook enabling them to be hung easily on a peg.
- Children should not wear nail varnish, make up or tattoos, including the temporary type.
- Long hair should be tied back. This is particularly important to prevent the spread of head lice.
- Hair accessories such as slides, ribbons, bobbles should be fairly simple and manageable.

#### For PE

- Pupils in Years 1 to 6 will wear PE kit for the entire day that they have their PE session. If they are participating in an after school sports club, they should wear uniform and bring their PE kit in a bag.
- Reception will bring their kits in a named drawstring bag on a Monday and take it home on a Friday.

#### **Pupils should wear:**

- Black shorts.
- House team T-shirt (available with initials on).
- Black pumps for indoor wear, trainers for outdoor PE lessons.
- In winter and for outdoor games PE kit can also include black tracksuit bottoms, red hoodie\* and trainers (dark or black if possible). None of these should have explicit branding.
- **Swimming:** Pupils should wear a full costume (not bikinis or two piece sets). Swimming trunks should be worn- not shorts.
- Pupils with long hair should wear a swimming cap.

\*Red hoodies with school logos are now available from <https://school-shop.co.uk/school/applegarth-primary-school/>

#### **School Educational Visits and Forest School Sessions**

When a visit requires a specific type of clothing parents will be provided with a list of what is required. Children in Reception and Year 1 currently attend Forest School Sessions a detailed list of the clothing required is in school. Wellies are essential footwear and an all in one wet weather outfit advisable. Parents can be supported with some of these additional items. In these cases, parents should contact the school of any needs following receipt of a visit letter requesting a specific type of clothing.

#### **Disability Equality Impact Assessment**

This policy is written with reference to and in consideration of the School's disability Equality Scheme. Assessment will include consideration of issues identified by the involvement of disabled children, staff, parents and any information the school holds on disabled children, staff and parents.

Any questions or concerns regarding this policy should be made to the Headteacher.