



Northgate Primary School Uniform Policy 2026

Introduction

It is our school policy that all children wear school uniform when attending school, or when participating in school-organised events outside normal school hours. We ask children to wear their shirts tucked into their skirts or trousers and to take pride in their personal appearance. Some items of uniform can be bought from the school uniform outfitters Harrisons, whilst others are easily available, at very competitive prices, at local supermarkets. A complete list of the items needed for school uniform including those for Physical Education, is printed below.

Aims and objectives

Our policy on school uniform is based on the belief that school uniform:

- promotes a sense of pride and belonging in our school;
- helps children to understand how to present themselves positively to others
- identifies the children with the school;
- supports our commitment to inclusion;
- prevents children from wearing 'fashion clothes' that could be distracting and enables them to dress in an age-appropriate way;
- is practical, smart and designed with health and safety in mind;
- is considered good value for money by most parents;

Jewellery, Hair, 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.

Hair should be kept neat and tidy and any hair accessories should be small, plain, and grey or black.

Please note: Teachers are not permitted to remove earrings.

Extreme hairstyles - shaved emblems or lines, unnatural colour dyes are not allowed.

Make up and nail varnish should not be worn to school unless for an out of school hours' function, for example a school disco.

Footwear

For health and safety reasons we do not allow children to wear shoes with platform soles or high heels; so please don't send them in shoes which prevent them from running in the playground. All children are required to wear plain black shoes or trainers without logos as stated in the uniform list. Flip flop type open sandals should not be worn in the summer, sandals should be closed in and fastened securely. If boots are worn in the winter 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.

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, 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 to wear for that day. The same system will apply for children who do not have a PE kit. Parents will be contacted if children regularly arrive without a PE kit.

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, these requests will be considered sympathetically.

If any parent would like to request a modification to the uniform policy they should, in the first instance, contact the headteacher.

Monitoring and Review

The School Academy monitors and reviews the school uniform policy by:

- seeking the views of parents, to ensure that they agree with and support the policy;
- considering, with the headteacher, any requests from parents for individual children to have special dispensation with regard to school uniform.

Uniform List

- Navy blue sweatshirt or cardigan without a hood, **either plain or with the Northgate logo**
- White Polo Shirt, **either plain or with the Northgate logo**
- Plain white, black or grey short or knee length socks (not over the knee) or
Grey/black skirt/pinafore dress/shorts/trousers or blue and white checked or striped summer dresses (skirts should be at least knee length)
- Black, navy or grey tights
- Grey/black shorts or trousers

P.E. Kit

- Grey/black or navy shorts
- White T-shirt **either plain or with the Northgate logo**
- Grey/black or navy jogging bottoms

Book bag – navy – **plain or with the Northgate logo.**

Children are NOT required to wear ties.

Shoes

Shoes – flat, black and appropriate for school

Trainers – plain without logos (PE- outdoors)

Sandals – closed in and fastened securely. (No flip flop types- Summer term)

Boots – plain black and not prevent children from sitting comfortably on the floor.

Warm coat with a hood for cold weather – children do go outside when it is cold and wet.