



# Moorside Primary School and Nursery

## School Uniform Policy 2025 - 2027

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### Introduction

The government is currently promoting higher standards of school uniform and in partnership with schools, Governors and Unions have developed guidance for Schools on School Uniform and Dress Codes. The purpose of this guidance is to support the development of a school uniform policy which is sensitive to the needs and beliefs of the whole community. Schools should act fairly and reasonably, bearing in mind their duties under the Human Rights Act 1998 and antidiscrimination legislation which are explained within this document.

It has always been our school policy that all children wear uniform when attending school or when participating in a school-organised event outside of normal school hours. We provide a complete list of the items needed for school uniform (attached).

### Aims

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

- promotes a sense of pride in the school in line with our ethos;
- engenders a sense of community and belonging towards the school;
- supports positive behaviour and discipline;
- is practical and smart;
- identifies the children with the school and encourages identity with the school;
- prevents children from coming to school in fashion or 'designer' label clothes that could be distracting in class or create a sense of competition;
- makes children feel equal to their peers in terms of appearance and helps nurture cohesion between different groups of pupils;
- is regarded as suitable wear for school and good value for money for most parents;
- is designed with health and safety in mind.

### Jewellery and Make-up

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 and watches (no smart watches please). We ask children to remove earrings and watches during PE lessons. Make-up and nail varnish are not permitted.

### **Footwear**

We require children to wear black shoes as stated in our uniform list (boots may be worn in Winter, but they must be smart and sensible). High heels/platform shoes are not allowed in school. Wellington boots are encouraged for the journey into school or playtimes during periods of inclement weather (or for Forest School). On these days school shoes should be available for changing into. We do not allow children to wear trainers to or in school (unless it is for PE).

### **Hair**

All children, girls and boys, are requested to tie hair up where it is longer than shoulder length. This is for both health and safety reasons and to look smart and ready for school.

Hair cuts must be appropriate, practical and smart to promote a sense of pride in line with the school ethos and a feeling of equality amongst the children.

In swimming, we request that all children wear a swimming cap.

### **The Role of Parents**

We ask all parents who send their children to Moorside Primary School and Nursery to support our school uniform policy. We believe that parents have a duty to send their children to school correctly dressed and ready for their daily school work. 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 school uniform policy, they should make representation in the first instance to the Headteacher. Moorside Primary School and Nursery welcomes children from all backgrounds and faith communities. If there are serious reasons, e.g. 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.

If any parent/carer has difficulty in providing school uniform for their child/ren, please speak to our Parent Support Advisor, Mrs Price in the first instance. We do have a selection of good quality, second hand uniform items available.

### **The Role of Governors**

The Governing Body supports the Headteacher in implementing the school uniform policy. It considers all representations from parents regarding the school 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. They ensure that the school uniform policy helps children to appear and dress sensibly, in clothing that is hardwearing, safe and practical.

### **Monitoring and Review**

The Governing Body 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 or individual children to have special dispensation with regard to school uniform;
- requiring the Headteacher to report to Governors on the way the school uniform policy is implemented.

## Moorside Primary School and Nursery School Uniform

### Nursery Class

Children in Nursery can wear their own clothes. Our Nursery is a wonderfully stimulating and occasionally messy place, therefore we discourage parents from sending children in their best clothes.

### Reception Class & Years 1 - 6

#### Boys

Royal blue sweatshirt or cardigan (logo preferred)  
White polo shirt  
Grey trousers (long or short)  
Grey socks  
Sensible black shoes

#### Girls

Royal blue sweatshirt or cardigan (logo preferred)  
White polo shirt or blouse  
Grey skirt, pinafore dress or trousers  
Grey socks or tights  
Sensible black shoes

**Summer** (between Easter and October half term):

Blue and white checked gingham dress  
White socks  
Sensible black shoes

### PE Kit

You will be informed each term which days your child will have PE. On these days, children must come to school in their PE kit which consists of:

Moorside PE Hoodie (we will supply the first one free of charge)  
White tee shirt  
Black or navy shorts or tracksuit/jogging bottoms/leggings in Winter  
Black plimsols or trainers

### Forest School Kit

You will be informed each term if your child's class will have Forest School and on which day it will be. On these days, children must come to school in their Forest School kit which consists of:

#### Essential kit each week:

Old clothes- tracksuit bottoms and thick jumper such as a fleece  
Waterproof all in one suit or waterproof trousers and a waterproof coat  
Extra pair of socks  
Wellies  
A plastic bag or two to take home muddy clothes

#### In cold weather:

Hat, gloves, snood  
A warm base layer under clothing or an extra layer of clothing - leggings and long sleeve top (or football skins or thermal base layers)

### Please Note:

**All items of clothing must be named.**

Our School Uniform Policy will be strictly reinforced in school.

School uniform or replacement PE Hoodies are available from:

Ripon Uniform Shop  
64 Blossomgate  
Ripon  
HG4 2AN  
Telephone: 01765 692233

Or online vis School Shop: <https://school-shop.co.uk/school/moorside-primary-school-nursery/>

We do prefer children to wear sweatshirts or cardigans that are embroidered with our school logo, however, these items may be purchased without our logo at local supermarkets.