

Rimrose Hope CE Primary School



School Uniform Policy 2025 – 2026

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Rimrose Hope CE Primary
‘Faith in our children – the hope for the future.’

School Uniform
Policy Principles

Our policy is that all children should wear clothing that is in keeping with a purposeful learning ethos. We also believe that certain school activities are facilitated by specialised and appropriate clothing (including organised events outside normal school hours).

Aims

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

- promotes a sense of pride in the school
- engenders a feeling of belonging
- is practical and distinctive
- identifies the children with the school
- is not distracting in class (as fashion clothing might be)
- makes children feel equal to one another in terms of appearance
- reflects the sense both of community and of diversity that the school takes pride in
- is regarded as suitable, and good value for money, by most parents

Cost, branding and where to buy

We keep branded items to a minimum to reduce cost. Most items may be purchased from any retailer, provided they match the stated colours and are free of logos. One optional branded item (sweatshirt/cardigan) is available. The uniform can be bought from supermarkets/high-street retailers and, if families wish, from our local supplier. We review supplier arrangements regularly to ensure best value and do not operate an exclusive arrangement.

Local supplier option: Paul’s Place (New Strand Shopping Centre) is one of several retailers families may use. This is a non-exclusive arrangement.

Second-hand uniform

Good-quality second-hand uniform is available via Crosby Housing Association Charity Shop. We run a termly pre-loved sale and maintain a stock year-round; please contact the office if you need items or wish to donate.

All children (Nursery and Reception)

- Jogging suit with sweatshirt or cardigan
- Black shoes
- The EYFS yard is north facing and does not tend to get too hot, however, on very hot days children may wear a polo shirt and leggings or PE shorts. Summer dresses and sandals are not practical in EYFS, so please refrain from putting your child in them.

Year 1 to Year 6

- Burgundy Rimrose crew or v - neck sweat shirt/sweatshirt cardigan
- White shirt and tie or white polo shirt
- Grey school trousers/skirt/pinafore dress
- Grey socks with black flat sensible school shoes (shoes are to be plain with no coloured logos, plain black trainers are acceptable)
- Burgundy book bag
- In summer girls may wear a yellow gingham dress and boys grey shorts

Optional burgundy Rimrose fleece and waterproof jacket

All listed items are available to all pupils. Parents/carers and pupils may choose any items from the uniform list.

For PE all children (Year 1–Year 6) need:

- White T Shirt
- Burgundy PE shorts or track-suit bottoms
- plimsolls/trainers

PE Kit should be worn for After School sporting clubs. All PE kits should be free from any logo or brand name, apart from the school logo.

Equality, culture and hair

We are committed to equality and inclusion. Requests for adjustments for religious or cultural dress, disability or sensory needs will always be considered. Hairstyles, including protective styles (e.g., braids, locs), are permitted. Hair must be tied back or secured for practical/safety reasons in certain activities.

Hair styles

What is not acceptable?

- Unnatural hair colours such as red, blue, green etc.
- Extreme hairstyles e.g. shaved patterns, Mohicans, stripes etc.

False nails

False nails are not allowed in school at any time. They are a hazard to the wearer and to their peers. False nails also prevent children achieving the necessary pen grip required for effective handwriting.

Jewellery and Headwear

On health and safety grounds, we do not allow children to wear jewellery to school (except for small studs and watches). We do not allow headwear to be worn during class time or inside school buildings, except for religious or medical reasons.

Labelling

All clothing should be clearly labelled with your child's name.

This is especially important, as uniform items look similar and can easily be confused for another pupils. The school cannot accept responsibility for any lost items.

Support and sanctions

If a pupil is not in correct uniform, we will work with families to resolve this quickly and sensitively. Our approach is stepped: reminder → contact home → reasonable timeframe and support (including loan items). We do not use exclusion, and pupils will not be denied curriculum access for uniform reasons

Role of the Class Teachers and Support Staff

- Set a good example in terms of dress.
- Remember that in our respective roles we serve the local community in a professional capacity
- To remind children to wear school uniform. The class teacher will speak to children who do not wear the correct uniform. If they still are not wearing the uniform they are to be referred to the Headteacher.

Role of the Headteacher

- The Headteacher is to ensure that pupils comply with the uniform policy agreed by the governing body.
- The Headteacher has a duty to enforce the school uniform throughout the school community, as part of the duty within maintenance of day to day discipline in the school.
- The Headteacher will speak to the parents of children who persistently do not wear the correct uniform.
- The school will follow the DfE guidelines and not consider exclusion from the school where a pupil fails to comply with the school's rules on uniform.

Role of the Parents/Guardians

- To ensure that their child / children adhere to the school's uniform policy.
- Ensure that they come to school in uniform everyday unless there are special circumstances such as non-uniform days.
- To ensure that all uniform is labelled correctly and clearly.

Publication and review

We publish our full uniform list, approximate costs and second-hand arrangements on the school website. The governing body reviews uniform costs annually as part of its statutory duties.

Equalities

All children have equal access to wearing school uniform regardless of their culture, race, religion, gender, disability or ability. We ensure that the set uniform respects other policies such as Equalities and allows for individual sets of circumstances of all groups and individuals. Rimrose Hope CE Primary is committed to creating a positive climate that will enable everyone to work free from racial intimidation and harassment and to achieve their full potential.

