

OLD HEATH COMMUNITY PRIMARY SCHOOL UNIFORM STATEMENT

Old Heath Community Primary School is very proud of our uniform and our school colours! We believe that wearing a school uniform sets a clear expectation that everyone is equal and part of a team. It prepares children for secondary school and the increased expectations around school uniform and later in life when many professions have a uniform or a dress code that must be followed.

We expect all children to wear school uniform –including our PE kit, to foster a pride in their appearance and their school. In addition, it helps us to identify them when out on school events.

- Jewellery is not appropriate for school. For pierced ears plain studs should only be worn.
- Nail varnish not considered suitable for school.
- Make up is not permitted and hair styles should be appropriate ie no brightly coloured dyed hair (except Comic Relief Dress Up Days!).
- Children can wear an analogue watch or small 'Fitbit' watch to encourage them to use it to tell the time. Larger 'apple' type versions with games and cameras etc are not suitable. It should be named and it is the responsibility of the owner.

The school ensures that children who are required to follow certain dress requirements, e.g. by virtue of their membership of a particular religious or cultural group, are afforded flexibility to allow them to wear a uniform that adheres to their requirements as far as possible. The school endeavours to meet all requests for amendments to the uniform for these purposes; however, will ensure that the needs and rights of individual children are weighed against any health and safety concerns for the entire school community.

Parents' concerns and requests regarding religious clothing are dealt with on a case-by-case basis by the headteacher and governing body, and always in accordance with the school's Complaints Procedures Policy

Our Uniform consists of:

Red sweatshirt, jumper, cardigan ~ these can be with the school logo or without
Grey or black skirt, pinafore, culottes,
Grey or black trousers, tailored shorts
White blouse/shirt or polo shirt
White, black, grey socks or tights and appropriate black school shoes
A red 'gingham style' school summer dress may be worn during the warmer months.

We believe that it is essential for children to be dressed properly for PE. Parents are asked to ensure that their children have their PE kit in school every day and kept on their peg at school.

Red/black shorts, white T-shirt, black plimsolls or trainers.
Spare socks and hair bobbles are useful additions to the PE bag as appropriate.
A track suit during the colder months is also good idea especially for Juniors and children participating in sports clubs.
School uniform tights should not be worn underneath shorts ~ please pack spare socks in PE bag.

We ask children to remove watches and earrings for P.E. as these can cause serious accidents during lessons. In accordance with Health & Safety Guidance, children who are unable to remove earrings will not be able to participate in any PE lesson, sporting activity or match.
Long hair should also be tied back for PE.

Uniform items with the school logo can be purchased from www.myclothing.com or www.smartypantsschoolwear.com. These do not have to be purchased plain uniform can be bought from the various supermarket and clothing retail outlets. We also collect in and save secondhand uniform for parents in need.

There are also fleeces and reversible shower proof red jacket both embroidered with the school logo.

This uniform statement is in line with the new statutory DFE guidance regarding the cost of school uniforms. <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/cost-of-school-uniforms/cost-of-school-uniforms>