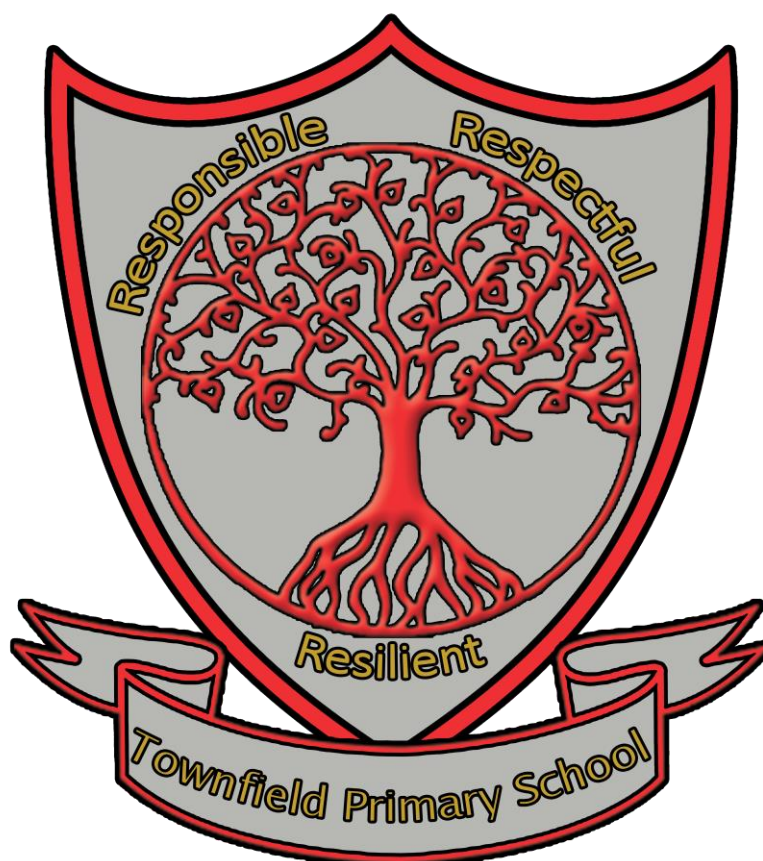


Townfield Primary School

Uniform & Presentation Policy



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This policy was approved by the Headteacher 2021

This policy is due for review Spring 2022

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Introduction

All children at Townfield Primary School wear their school uniform with pride. It contributes to the school ethos and also provides our children with a sense of belonging sets the appropriate tone. Townfield is committed to preparing children for life in society so we encourage smart appearance and pride within school.

Aims & Objectives

This policy aims to set out clearly the expectation of the school uniform policy and acceptable appearance and presentation in school.

Our policy is based on the notation that uniform:-

- Supports the school safeguarding and health and safety policies;
- Promotes a sense of pride in the school;
- Engenders a feeling of community and belonging towards the school;
- Identified the children with the school;
- Prevents children from wearing fashion clothes and hairstyles that may be distracting;
- Makes children feel equal to their peers in terms of appearance;
- Is regarded as suitable and good value for money
- Is practical, smart and designed with safety in mind

Uniform Requirements (see Appendix 1, 2 & 3)

For a comprehensive list of uniform for Nursery, Reception and Years 1-6, please refer to appendices at the end of this policy.

Woodland Learning (Nursery and main school – all years)

Woodland Learning is quite a unique addition to the curriculum at Townfield and something not only are we proud of but something that the children really enjoy. Woodland Learning takes place all year round in all weathers.

For Woodland Learning children must wear their PE kit, with the addition of the waterproof over-clothing and wellies. A list of possible additional items is included below:-

Spring/Summer months	Autumn/Winter months
Waterproof drawstring bag to bring wellies/waterproofs in*	Waterproof drawstring bag to bring wellies/waterproofs in *
Sun hat	Gloves & Gloves
Sun cream	As determined by the weather:
Long sleeved polo is recommended	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Base layers to help keep children warm• Additional fleece/outer layer)
*Children should not arrive at school wearing wellies and should attend wearing appropriate footwear with a bag containing their wellies to change into to prevent the spread of mud throughout school.	
** due to the nature of woodland learning older tracksuits are acceptable as they can become soiled and messy	

As the unpredictable nature of the weather means even in warmer months, we can have heavy rainfall, please ensure your child arrives at school with the most appropriate clothing for the weather.

Swimming (KS2 only (Years 3-6))

Girls should wear a one-piece swimming costume of the appropriate size (no bikini/tankini type swimwear).

Boys should wear swimming trunks of the appropriate size (no Bermuda type shorts)

Swimming caps are required for all children.

Coats

You may choose to purchase a school coat for your child from Wirral Uniforms however this is not mandatory. If you chose to send your child to school in an expensive/designer/named brand coat, this will be at your own risk and school will take no responsibility for loss or damage.

Marked Clothing

All articles of clothing must be clearly marked with your child's name (initials are not sufficient). School will take no responsibility for children losing their clothing.

Footwear

For health and safety reasons we do not allow children to wear shoes with heels, sling backs or platforms. All children are required to wear plain black shoes without logos as stated above.

Hair

The school does not permit children to have haircuts that could serve as a distraction to other children. Please support us by following school policy when taking your child for a haircut.

Children must not have hairstyles which are extreme. Lines or patterns shaved into the hair and/or dyed hair is not permitted. All long hair must be tied back. Any hair accessories must be in line with school colours, grey, maroon or yellow. If you wish to place a bow in your child's hair, this must be small in size and appropriate for school wear.

Shaved patterns or lines in eyebrows are not allowed.

Jewellery

For health and safety reasons jewellery such as bracelets, rings, necklaces and chains must not be worn.

Small plain metallic stud earrings (plain silver/gold) may be worn at their parent/carers risk. Diamond, hoop or drop type earrings are not allowed in any circumstances. Wrist watches may be worn but removed for PE, dance and games, again at parents' risk. Expensive or branded smart watches (e.g. Apple or Samsung watches) should not be worn. School will take no responsibility for lost watches or earrings.

Nails

Nail polish must not be worn in school. False nails are not allowed in school. School has nail polish remover and may ask a child to remove nail polish themselves if they attend school wearing nail polish.

Glitter Tattoos/Skin Transfers

Fake tattoos and transfers are not permitted in school.

Non Compliance of School Uniform & Presentation Policy

The Headteacher or member of staff authorised by the Headteacher may ask your child to be collected and go home to briefly remedy a breach of the school's rules on appearance and uniform. We therefore ask that you support school in ensuring your child is aware of this policy and adheres to it.

The Role of Parents & Carers

Townfield Primary believes that the responsibilities of parents/carers is to ensure that their child has the correct uniform, PE kit and expectations of appearance as set out within this policy. It should be clean, in good repair and have their child's full name clearly marked on all items.

If any parent has difficulties for any reason with fulfilling this request they are asked to speak to a senior member of staff to discuss their issues.

Townfield is an inclusive school community. If there are genuine reasons why parents/carers want their child to wear clothes that differ from the school uniform we will look at such requests. Similarly, should an item of school uniform prove problematic for a pupil with disability, then parents/carers are invited to draw this to the attention of the Headteacher. We will ensure that we work with parents/carers to meet individual needs as far as possible.

We will also support families who are in need, by providing items of uniform. Please contact school should you require assistance. Any requests, will of course be treated with the utmost dignity and confidence.

If a child continually does not follow our uniform and presentation policy, parents/carers will be invited into a meeting with school leadership to discuss the matter further and plan a way forward.

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Townfield Primary School Uniform



Full details of our school uniform and expected presentation are set out in our **Uniform & Presentation Policy**

Nursery Uniform

Boys Uniform

Maroon or Grey Tracksuit Bottoms
Yellow Polo Shirt
Maroon Sweatshirt
Grey Socks
Black Velcro fastening shoes

Girls Uniform

Maroon or Grey Tracksuit Bottoms
Yellow Polo Shirt
Maroon Sweatshirt/Cardigan
Grey Socks
Black Velcro fastening shoes
Plain Hair Bobbles
Maroon/Yellow Headband



PLEASE NOTE

School logo/badge is not a mandatory requirement on any uniform
Any uniform (e.g. supermarket bought) can have the TPS badge added for a cost of £3 should parents/carers choose at Wirral Uniforms

Children will be required to bring in a bag containing waterproof over-clothing and wellies for days they are timetabled for Woodland Learning.

Maroon TPS Draw-String Bag with a spare change of clothes/underwear to be used in the event of any mishaps whilst in school

Please ensure all uniform, including shoes and bags are clearly and fully named.

Responsible Respectful Resilient



Townfield Primary School Uniform



Reception Uniform

Winter Uniform

Boys Uniform
 Grey Trousers
 White Polo Shirt
 Maroon Jumper/Tank Top
 Grey Socks
 Black Velcro fastening shoes



Blazers and ties are not required for Reception children

Winter/Waterproof coat

Girls Uniform
 Grey Skirt/Pinafore or Trousers
 White Polo Shirt
 Maroon Cardigan/Jumper
 Grey Socks/Tights
 Black Velcro fastening shoes
 Plain Hair ties / Maroon Headband

Summer Uniform

Boys Uniform
 Grey Shorts
 White Polo Shirt
 Maroon Jumper/Tank Top
 Grey Socks
 Black Velcro fastening shoes



Blazers are optional

Summer/Showproof coat

Girls Uniform
 Yellow checked Summer Dress
 Maroon Cardigan/Jumper
 White Socks
 Black Velcro fastening shoes
 Plain Hair ties / Maroon or Yellow Headband



Book bag/satchel & water bottle



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PE & Woodland Uniform

Red Sweater/Hoody
 Red Polo Shirt
 Charcoal (dark grey) joggers
 Black trainers



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On Woodland days children must also attend school with a bag containing their waterproof over-clothing and wellies

Please ensure all uniform, including shoes and bags are clearly and fully named. You may wish to add a ribbon or small keyring to your child's book bag so they can easily identify it.



Townfield Primary School Uniform



Years 1 – 6 Uniform

Winter Uniform

Boys Uniform

Grey Trousers
White Shirt
TPS Tie
Maroon Jumper
Grey Socks
Black Shoes



blazers are optional

Winter/Waterproof coat

Girls Uniform

Grey Skirt/Pinafore or Trousers
White Shirt
TPS Tie
Maroon Cardigan/Jumper
Grey Socks/Tights
Black Shoes
Plain Hair ties / Maroon Headband

Boys Uniform

Grey Shorts
White Shirt
TPS Tie
Maroon Jumper/Tank Top
Grey Socks
Black Shoes



Blazers are optional

Summer/Showproof coat

Girls Uniform

Yellow checked Summer Dress
White Shirt
Maroon Cardigan/Jumper
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Black Shoes
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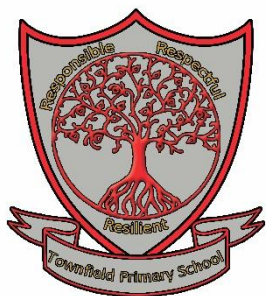
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Townfield Primary School Uniform Q & As

- **Why are there plans for a change to the current uniform?**

The number of uniform items parents/carers are required to purchase is above what the Department for Education expects in their guidelines. In addition, due to changes in legislation, school uniform must be easily available from more than one outlet, including available to purchase off the peg at supermarkets and big chain stores.

Red and grey has been chosen as it is universally available, regardless of where you shop. This was taken into consideration when updating the school badge, which incorporates a tree representing not only the growth of our children and knowledge, but also the fabulous addition of Woodland Learning for all within our curriculum.

In addition, cost is a major consideration and this is also part of the Department for Education guidance in making sure uniform is both easily obtainable and affordable.

- **When is the uniform changing?**

Our main “academic” school uniform will not change until a consultation has been completed. Any change of the main school uniform, will not take place until September 2022 once the results and opinions of those who have contributed have been taken into consideration.

- PE/Woodland Uniform – changes will be implemented for September 2021.
- Academic Uniform – changes will not be implemented before September 2022.

In any event, regardless of any uniform changes, any approved uniform which still fits (e.g. current maroon uniform) this can continue to be worn until your child outgrows it. If you have recently purchased uniform, you are not required to replace this.

- **Why are parents being consulted separately about PE & Woodland Uniform now?**

This change has been necessary now, due to the issues which have been experienced with children wearing whatever they want on Woodland Learning days. It was agreed to allow children to wear joggers and tracksuits of their choosing during this year only, to support parents/carers.

- **Why is Woodland Uniform being combined with the PE uniform ?**

It was agreed to allow children to wear joggers and tracksuits of their choosing during this year only, children are now attending school in clothing which is completely unacceptable for school (belly tops), unsuitable clothing (expensive/designer wear). In addition, some children are feeling pressure from their peers. In keeping with our school values, it is considered that one combined uniform for both PE and Woodland Learning is the best option all round.

- **What about current PE Uniform my child has and still fits or I have only recently purchased?**

This is still acceptable. School does not expect anyone to incur the cost of replacing a uniform that still fits and your child may continue to wear this until they outgrow it.

- **Why hasn't this information been provided earlier?**

This information was communicated as soon as possible and has been made due to everchanging Covid restrictions and guidelines. It was hoped that as England were exiting the final stage of the Lockdown Roadmap that children could revert to the previous PE/Woodland days procedure of getting changed in school. However following advice from Public Health England, the decision has been taken to allow children to continue to attend school on PE and Woodland days in their uniform as this makes it easier for parents/carers. The only change is that PE uniform will also be worn on Woodland days.

- **What do the changes mean? How much uniform do I need for my child?**

For next year your child will need an academic uniform and PE uniform as per previous years. The only change is that children must wear their PE uniform for Woodland Learning days also (the addition of waterproofs and wellies will be required for Woodland Learning days.)

How much uniform additional uniform you purchase, is completely a matter for you. To help you make this decision timetables will be communicated for September as soon as possible. However, we can confirm that all children are timetabled for 2 days PE and 1 day Woodland (save for Nursery and Reception who do 1 day PE and 1 day Woodland Learning per week; PE and Woodland learning may occur on the same day so children will only be required to attend school in their academic uniform for a maximum of 2 to 3 days per week.

- **When will parents/carers be consulted about any change to the academic uniform?**

This has not yet been timetabled, however it is hoped this will take place during the Autumn term to give everyone an opportunity to contribute to the uniform consultation.

- **Can any change be completely opposed?**

No. Whilst all options will be considered, a change to our uniform will happen. This is in line with Government and Department for Education guidance regarding the cost and availability of uniform to make it accessible and affordable for all.

- **We are proud of our uniform and image – will this be protected?**

Of course. School is making this change to help parents and carers, not to hinder them. We are aware that there are some concerns that the current maroon colour is specific to Townfield and as such, it is felt this easily sets us apart from other schools. Unfortunately, the current colour is also to our detriment as it was found it was not easily available off the peg. The proposed school colours of grey and red have been chosen because during research these colours were available at all outlets visited, including supermarkets who provide fantastic value for money.

However, we are proud of our image and how beautifully well presented our children are and will look to protect this to ensure our image is maintained. In addition, some uniform items are optional so parents/carers can have uniform choices to suit them, e.g. optional additional of blazers.

- **If I buy generic uniform, how can I personalise it to “Townfield” if I want to?**

School logos/badges is no longer mandatory for any uniform items. This is supported by the Department for Education in ensuring affordability. However, for any parents who wish to add the school logo, this can be embroidered on any items at Wirral Uniforms for £3.00.



Townfield Primary School Uniform

UNIFORM DOS & DON'TS

DO

- Label everything - put your child's full name in everything, not just initials
- Feel free to wear all current uniform until your child outgrows any of it.
- Check our lost property buckets – from September 2021 each year group will bring any lost property out on to the playground at the end of each day to allow you to search for any lost items. Names items should easily be found/returned.
- Contact Wirral FUPS (Free Uniform for Primary Schools) if you need any uniform items – they are always more than happy to help and despite the worry of second hand uniform, they only offer good quality uniform.

DON'T

- Do not feel the need to purchase additional uniform, unless your child requires a new one
- Send your child to school in expensive or designing clothing, particularly coats. School cannot accept any responsibility for lost or damaged clothing.
- Let your child attend school without the correct uniform on the correct day, particularly on Woodland Learning days. Unfortunately, children who do not attend with waterproof overclothing and wellies will not be allowed to participate for health and safety reasons.

Policy/Plan administration

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