

# Altofts Junior School

## School Uniform Policy



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## Introduction

At Altofts Junior School, it is our policy that all children wear a uniform when attending school or when participating in school-organised events outside of normal school hours.

### Aims and objectives

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

- Promotes a sense of pride in our school and develops a sense of community and belonging;
- Ensures that children of all races, religions and backgrounds feel welcome;
- Identifies children with our school when taking part in out-of-school educational activities and visits;
- Allows all children to feel equal to others in terms of appearance;
- Does not cause a distraction during the school day;
- Has a positive impact on the behaviour of children in school
- Is practicable and smart

The DfE's non-statutory guidance on school uniforms (2013) supports these beliefs and strongly encourages schools to have a uniform.

By allowing their child to attend Altofts Junior School, parents/carers are expected to support the school uniform policy. It is the responsibility of the parent/carer to ensure that their child has the correct uniform, and that it is clean and in good repair. School advises that all items of uniform, PE kit and any other items (e.g. wellies, coats, bags) should be clearly marked with the child's name and class.

If a parent/carer would like to modify the school uniform policy for their child, for example on religious grounds, they should make representation to the Head Teacher. School will look sympathetically at such requests.

The school uniform policy is reviewed annually and a reminder leaflet is sent home to parents and carers prior to the summer holidays. Parents and carers of new starters to Altofts will also be provided with a copy of the uniform policy and prior to their child starting.

### School Uniform

The school uniform at Altofts Junior School is as follows:

- Royal blue sweater, jumper or cardigan – branded with school logo or plain;
- Grey or black trousers/skirt (tailored shorts may be worn in the summer term);
- White shirt/blouse or polo shirt,
- White, grey or black socks;
- In summer months, children may also wear blue and white gingham summer dresses.

Branded Altofts school uniform (jumpers, polo shirts, etc) and plain uniform (sold at most supermarkets) without school logos are acceptable.

Our suppliers of branded uniform are:

<https://www.fairwaygraphics.co.uk/altofts-juniors>



### Shoes

Plain black, non-branded shoes to be worn (not fabric).

#### Acceptable shoes:



#### Unacceptable shoes:

Any shoes with a brand or fabric shoes as below:



## PE Uniform

When children are participating in indoor PE lessons, they will need the following uniform:

- Black or navy-blue Shorts (with no logo)
- White T-shirt (with no logo)
- Optional leotard for gymnastics
- Suitable trainers or plimsolls
- Navy blue / black Jogging/tracksuit bottoms (with no logo)
- Navy blue/black sports top, e.g. tracksuit top or hoodie (with no logo)
- Swimming trunks for boys and full swimming costume for girls
- A suitable towel and bag
- No leggings or cycling shorts to be worn

### Acceptable PE Kit:



### Unacceptable PE Kit:



## Extreme Haircuts

The school does not permit children to have 'extreme' haircuts that could serve as a distraction to other children.

Hairstyles and haircuts which are deemed too extreme such as tramlines, stars, shaved heads (no shorter than a number 2), extreme patterns 'V' styles, Mohican cuts, or dyed, tipped or dipped hair are also forbidden. Pupils with long hair should also tie it back for safety reasons.

## **Jewellery**

On health and safety grounds, we do not allow jewellery to be worn with the following exceptions:

- Small stud ear-rings in pierced ears;
- A watch (no smart watches);
- Medical identification bracelets.

School encourages that if parent/carers wish to have their child's ears pierced, this should be done at the start of the summer holidays so that they can heal over the holidays and children can practise removing them themselves. Children must be able to remove earrings for PE or swimming lessons. Newly pierced ears may be covered with micropore tape, which must be brought from home. We cannot take responsibility for any items of jewellery or personal items that go missing or are broken in school.

## **The role of parents**

We ask all parents who send their children to our school to support the school uniform policy. We believe that parents have a duty to send their children to school correctly dressed and ready for their daily schoolwork. 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. **School are always willing to support parents if they are having problems meeting our requirements, please come in and talk to us if this is the case.**

## **Incorrect uniform**

Children who attend school in the wrong uniform will be provided with correct uniform to change into.