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School Uniform

Firstly, thank you to all our families who ensure their child is sent to school in the correct uniform at all times. Wearing school uniform is compulsory at Denton and supports our children's sense of belonging, helping them to feel proud of their school. Issues of equality, health and safety, and cost are also important factors that contribute to having clear expectations around school uniform.

As a school, we believe there are many benefits to all children wearing school uniform, including:

- ✓ Wearing uniform helps children feel part of the school community
- ✓ Families can purchase economical, functional, and practical clothing
- ✓ A standard uniform helps eliminate peer pressure on families to provide expensive or fashionable items for daily wear
- ✓ Promotes equality amongst all children
- ✓ Helps staff identify children and keep them safe when in public areas, for example on school trips
- ✓ Maintains the high public regard for our school

We completely understand how quickly children outgrow items and that they may not always remember to tell their parents, meaning a last-minute order or trip to the supermarket is sometimes needed. However, recently we have noticed some children are not in the correct school uniform, so we would like to remind everyone of our expectations regarding what children should be arriving at school wearing.

School Uniform

- ✓ White or blue polo t-shirt, shirt, or blouse
- ✓ Navy school jumper or cardigan (no hoodies)
- ✓ Blue and white checked gingham dress
- ✓ Black or charcoal shorts, trousers, or skirt
- ✓ Plain black shoes or trainers

PE Kit

- ✓ White t-shirt
- ✓ Black shorts or leggings
- ✓ Black jogging bottoms
- ✓ Black trainers or plimsolls

Please remember that **the school does not insist families purchase clothing with a Denton badge**. All major supermarkets and clothing stores sell unbranded school uniform, which is often more cost-effective.

General Information

Jewellery: The only jewellery permitted in school are plain stud earrings.

Smartwatches: Children are permitted to wear watches in school, including smartwatches, provided they are used purely for telling the time. Under the DfE guidance, devices with phone-like features count as mobile phones, so network functions and camera features must be disabled. If this is not possible, the smartwatch will not be permitted during the day and will need to be handed in at the school office.

Hair: All long hair must be tied back.

Make-up: Children are not permitted to wear make-up or nail varnish in school.

Non-compliance

Like all schools, we follow national government guidelines regarding school uniform. Thank you for supporting us with our uniform policy. As school uniform is compulsory, we ask that you read the information carefully and ensure your child has the correct items. If a child arrives at school wearing incorrect uniform, the class teacher will speak with parents or carers in the first instance. If children repeatedly come to school dressed in incorrect uniform, they may be asked to wear spare school uniform and a meeting with parents or carers will be arranged.

Support Available (FREE)

Newhaven Uniform Bank supply good quality second hand uniform **free of charge**.

[If you need support with uniform please complete this form.](#)

We also have a small stock of essential items in school. Please speak with Mrs Vidler in the school office if you require any items.

Best wishes

Matt Doody
Headteacher