

## **School Uniform**

It is the policy of the Education Committee to encourage pupils to wear an acceptable form of school dress as determined by Head Teachers, Parent Councils and parents. In encouraging the wearing of school dress, account must be taken of any proposals to prevent any direct or indirect discrimination on the grounds of race or gender. Any proposal will be the subject of widespread consultation with parents and pupils.

Parents are asked to co-operate with the school in encouraging the wearing of the school uniform.

The uniform was agreed in consultation with parents, pupils, staff and the Parent Council. It incorporates a range of popular items of dress, e.g. sweatshirts, T-shirts.

Wearing school uniform contributes to a positive school ethos and helps avoid discrimination and reduces peer pressure to wear expensive designer clothing.

A school's reputation can also be enhanced in the local community by the wearing of school uniform and school security will be improved as it will be easier to identify intruders.

The appropriate clothing and footwear for PE is a T-shirt, shorts and gym shoes with non-marking soles. These are necessary for health and safety reasons and your co-operation is requested to ensure that pupils are equipped to participate in the PE lessons - please note there is a requirement that all jewellery is removed prior to undertaking physical education activities. We find that children lose valuable PE and work time, taking earrings in and out, having recently had their ears pierced. We have been advised that newly pierced ears can no longer be covered with tape. If you are considering allowing your child to have their ears pierced this would be better at the end of a term, thus allowing time for ears to heal and earrings to be removed for PE.

Please ensure that all items of clothing are clearly labelled, particularly ties, sweat shirts and PE kit which are often lost. Please help the school and the education authority by making sure that pupils do not bring valuable or expensive items of clothing to school.

Offensive clothing, such as T-shirts or other items painted with obscene language or illustrations, are not permitted. Football colours are also inappropriate as they can lead to incidents of rivalry.

Under no circumstances will pupils be deprived of any educational benefit as a result of not wearing uniform and, in particular, pupils will not be denied access to examinations as a result of not wearing school dress.

Parents are asked to assist by ensuring that valuable items and unnecessarily expensive items of clothing are not brought to school.

Some families may be eligible for school clothing grant and free school meals. Information on criteria and the application form for this can be found at <a href="https://www.eastdunbarton.gov.uk">www.eastdunbarton.gov.uk</a> under School Grants and Free School Meals.



Approval of any requests for such grants made by parents in different circumstances is at the discretion of the Chief Education Officer.

If you have any queries regarding the school's dress code, please contact the Head Teacher.

## At Craigdhu Primary School all pupils can wear any combination of the following:

Grey trousers, skirt or pinafore dress White shirt or blouse and school tie Blue sweatshirt with white or blue polo shirt Black school shoes

## Additional items available are:

Blue fleece, woollen hat, schoolbag, school badge and waterproof jacket. P7 Leavers' Hoodies are only to be worn by P7 pupils.

Sweatshirts and polo shirts with the school badge along with the additional items are available through our ordering service. Information on how to do this is on the school's website at <a href="http://www.craigdhu.e-dunbarton.sch.uk/school-info/uniforms/">http://www.craigdhu.e-dunbarton.sch.uk/school-info/uniforms/</a>