



SCHOOL UNIFORM POLICY

INTRODUCTION

At The Aspire Hub we pride ourselves in being smart, well presented and ready for learning. At The Aspire Hub it is expected that all children wear their mainstream school uniform when attending The Aspire Hub, or when participating in school-organised events outside normal school hours. We ask children to wear their shirts tucked into their skirts, shorts or trousers and to take a pride in their personal appearance. Children who are on roll with The Aspire Hub are expected to wear the following uniform:

- Grey school trousers / shorts / skirts
- White polo top
- Blue jumper (Bolton Hub)
- Burgundy jumper (Burnley Hub)
- Black school shoes
- A pair of slippers or pumps

AIMS AND OBJECTIVES

Our policy on school uniform is based on the notion that school uniform:

- Promotes a sense of pride in our school
- Helps to create a sense of community and belonging towards their school
- Identifies pupils with the school
- Supports the school's commitment to inclusion
- Prevents pupils from wearing 'fashion clothes' that could be distracting in class
- Is practical, smart, and designed with health and safety in mind
- Makes children feel equal to their peers in terms of appearance

JEWELLERY, HAIR ORNAMENTS, MAKE-UP AND NAIL VARNISH

For many reasons, including safety, we do not allow children to wear jewellery.

Hair bands, ribbons/bows or 'scrunchies' should be plain and either blonde, brown or black to match hair colour. Hair bands should not have large flowers or other decoration attached.

Make up and nail varnish should not be worn to school.

Extreme hairstyles are not appropriate for school. The use of styling products should be kept to a minimum and children should not have decorative patterns cut into their hair or have hair coloured or dyed.

FOOTWEAR

At The Aspire Hub children are required to arrive wearing black school shoes, however as part of our unique environment we support the theory of shoeless learning. All children will be required to remove their shoes upon arrival and wear a pair of slippers or pumps during the day. Shoes will be put back on for play time and home time.

For further information on shoeless learning follow the below link:

[shoeless learning spaces \(heppell.net\)](http://heppell.net)

THE ROLE OF PARENTS

We believe that one of the responsibilities of parents is to ensure that their child has the correct uniform and P.E kit and that it is clean, in good repair and that the **child's name is visibly labelled** on all items. If a parent has difficulties for any reason with fulfilling this request they are asked to speak confidentially to a senior member of staff to discuss the issues. Parents should be assured that we will do all we can to help.

The school welcomes children from all backgrounds and faith communities. If there are serious reasons, for example on religious grounds, why parents want their child to wear clothes that differ from the school uniform, the Uniform Policy will consider such requests sympathetically. If any parent would like to request an exception to the uniform policy they should, in the first instance, contact the Family Liaison.

SCHOOL UNIFORM LIST

Children on placement at The Aspire Hub are required to wear their mainstream school uniform and children on roll at the Aspire Hub are required to wear the below:

- Grey school trousers/ shorts / skirts
- White polo top
- Blue jumper (Bolton Hub)
- Burgundy jumper (Burnley Hub)
- Black school shoes

All children attending the Aspire Hub are required to wear:

- a pair of slippers or pumps.

NB. Trousers and shorts worn in school for uniform must be appropriate uniform style material and ‘cut’, not sportswear or fashion styles.

P.E. KIT

Children need a change of clothes, socks and footwear for P.E (for health and hygiene reasons) and a draw-string bag in which to keep the kit at school. All school uniform and P.E. kit **MUST** be named. Children can become upset as a result of lost clothing; please help us by naming everything.

P.E. Uniform is:

- White T shirt
- Black shorts (NOT cycling shorts)
- Socks (separate from those worn with school uniform)
- A pair of pumps – velcro fastenings are essential for younger children
- Navy or black jogging bottoms and sweatshirt for outdoor lessons in cold weather.

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