



TOOTING PRIMARY SCHOOL

Uniform Policy

**This policy has been agreed by TPS governors on October 2023
and will be reviewed in 2024**

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Rational

All children at Tooting Primary School wear their school uniform with pride. It contributes to a sense of belonging and teamwork. Therefore when a child joins Tooting Primary School we are all in a shared agreement that:

- It is the responsibility of children, parents and carers to ensure that the correct uniform is worn at all times;
- It is the responsibility of Tooting Primary School staff to promote high expectations with the school uniform.

Students are expected to wear the TPS uniform to show that they are a part of our community. Their uniform is a symbol of equality, identity and commitment to our school culture and ethos.

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

- Promotes a sense of pride in the school
- One of our Golden Rules is 'we come to school ready to learn'. Children are ready to learn when they are wearing the correct uniform
- Engenders a sense of community and belonging towards the school
- Is practical and smart
- Identifies the children with the school
- Makes children feel equal to their peers in terms of appearance
- Is regarded as suitable wear for school and good value for money by most Parents / Carers
- Is designed with health and safety in mind
- Preparing our children in readiness for secondary school. Preparing children for the next stage of their education is a fundamental role of every school as set out by the DFE.

It is Tooting Primary School's policy that all children of compulsory school age wear school uniform when attending school, or when participating in an event organised by school outside normal school hours. We provide a complete list of the items needed for our school uniform in our school website and in the reception welcome packs.

School Uniform

Our school uniform can be purchased directly from School Uniform Direct (www.schooluniformdirect.co.uk) and incorporates the Tooting Primary School logo. We regularly review our school uniform supplier to ensure value for money.

It is important for the promotion of social independence that younger children are able to manage their own clothes and shoes. This should be considered when purchasing school uniform.

Our uniform is as follows:

Girls Reception to Year 3	Boys Reception to Year 3
Tooting Primary School Yellow Polo Shirt Tartan Tooting Primary School Pinafore Dress or Navy Blue Trousers Navy Blue Tooting Primary School Cardigan or Jumper Yellow and White Tooting Primary Striped Summer Dress (optional) Navy Blue Tights or White Socks Tooting Primary School Book Bag Black Smart Shoes (no trainers/boots)	Tooting Primary School Yellow Polo Shirt Navy Blue Trousers Navy Blue Tooting Primary School Cardigan or Jumper Navy Blue Knee Length Shorts (optional) Black or Navy Blue Socks Tooting Primary School Book Bag Black Smart Shoes (no trainers/boots)
Girls Year 4 to Year 6	Boys Year 4 to Year 6
White Shirt with collar Tooting Primary School Tie Navy Blue Tooting Primary School Blazer Navy Blue Trousers or Skirt Navy Blue Tooting Primary School Cardigan or Jumper Yellow and White Tooting Primary Striped Summer Dress (optional) Navy Blue Tights, Navy or White Socks School Bag Black Smart Shoes (no trainers/boots)	White Shirt with collar Tooting Primary School Tie Navy Blue Tooting Primary School Blazer Navy Blue Trousers Navy Blue Tooting Primary School Cardigan or Jumper Navy Blue Knee Length Shorts (optional) Black or Navy Blue Socks School Bag Black Smart Shoes (no trainers/boots)
PE Uniform (All year groups)	Yellow T-Shirt Navy Blue Shorts Navy Blue Jogging Bottoms Black Plimsolls PE Bag <i>*Black trainers for outdoor PE are optional</i>

Please ensure ALL items of uniform are clearly labelled with your child's name

The Role of Parents

We believe that one of the responsibilities of parents is to ensure that their child has the correct uniform and PE kit, and that it is clean, in good repair and that the child's name is written on all items. If a parent is in receipt of Pupil Premium funding and would like support in purchasing their child's school uniform the please come and speak confidentially to a member of the office team or a member of the senior leadership team. Parents should be assured that we will do all we can to help.

Children who arrive at school wearing non-school uniform clothing will be loaned an appropriate item to wear for that day. At Tooting Primary School we welcome 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, we will consider such requests sympathetically.

Jewellery

We do not allow children to wear jewellery in school on health and safety grounds. The exceptions to this rule are stud earrings in pierced ears where 1 pair of small silver or gold stud earrings may be worn.

Children who are participating in P.E., swimming, sports clubs and /or physical activities must not wear earrings. On days when these activities are scheduled children must leave their earrings at home. We do not want pupils removing and replacing earrings. This is due to the potential risk of injury, earrings being lost/stolen and the spread of infections.

It is therefore recommended that children do not come to school wearing earrings on these days. Children will be asked to remove earrings and to store them themselves. **Staff will not be responsible for the removal, insertion or storage of earrings.**

If a child wishes to wear a small religious piece of jewellery please talk to their class teacher.

Make up, temporary tattoos (transfers) and nail varnish

Make up and nail varnish may not be worn in school. Temporary tattoos and transfers are also not be worn, however if you wish your child to have a temporary tattoo for a cultural or religious reason please discuss this with their class teacher.

Footwear

It is the aim of Tooting Primary School that our children grow into healthy adults. We require all children to wear smart and safe shoes. We do not permit children to wear:

- Shoes that have platform soles or heels because we believe that these are dangerous
- Trainers to school because we think that this footwear is appropriate for sport or leisure but is not in keeping with the smart appearance of our school uniform
- Boots of any kind may not be worn.

Hair

Only neutral or school colour hair bands can be worn. No brightly coloured headbands, or oversized hair decorations are allowed.

The Role of Governors

The governing body supports the headteacher in implementing the school uniform policy. It considers all representations from parents regarding the uniform policy and liaises with the headteacher to ensure that the policy is implemented fairly and with sensitivity. It is the governors' responsibility to ensure that the school uniform meets all regulations concerning equal opportunities. Governors ensure that the school uniform policy enables children to dress sensibly, in clothing that is hardwearing, safe and practical.