



Uniform Policy November 2023

Introduction

It is our policy and expectation that all children wear the school uniform when attending Morden Primary School.

We provide a complete list of the items needed for the uniform in the prospectus pack, on the website and a list is available from the main office.

Morden Primary colours for uniform are royal blue (cardigans/sweatshirts) and white (polo tops/shirts/blouses). The jumpers and cardigans must have the Morden Primary bell tower logo and can be purchased, along with all other items of uniform, online at:

<http://www.mapac.com/education/parents/uniform/mordenprimaryschools45x>

We endeavour to ensure uniform is affordable for all families. The majority of uniform items are available in all supermarkets. We ensure that only minimal uniform has the school logo to reduce uniform costs for parents. Affordable pre-loved uniform is available to purchase through our PTA or school office.

Aims and Objectives

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

- ✚ Promotes a sense of pride in our school;
- ✚ Engenders a sense of community and belonging;
- ✚ Is practical and regarded as suitable wear for school in terms of health and safety;
- ✚ Is smart and identifies the children with our school;
- ✚ Prevents children from coming to school in fashion clothes that could be distracting to the class;
- ✚ Reduces the risk of bullying by making the children feel equal to their peers in terms of appearance;
- ✚ Reflects the ethos and culture in the school;
- ✚ Prepares pupils for secondary school policies regarding the wearing of uniform.

Jewellery

On grounds of health and safety we do not allow children to wear jewellery in our school. The exceptions to this rule are:

- ✚ Small stud earrings in pierced ears
- ✚ Simple watch (this does not include novelty watches)

We ask children to either remove or cover up these objects during PE lessons and games lessons to prevent them from causing potential injury.

Hair Policy & Extreme Hair Cuts

Morden Primary does not permit 'extreme' haircuts that could serve as a distraction from learning for themselves and other pupils (this includes colours and shaved-in 'logos' or words).

Parents will be contacted where this is the case and advised of the need to correct this. A record will go on file where this has been the case.

All long hair (regardless of gender or ethnicity) must be tied up in pig-tails/plaits/bunches/pony tails or held back with a suitable plain head band. School colours should be used for hair accessories (blue, white or black only). There are no exceptions to this rule.

Makeup and Nail Varnish

Makeup and nail varnish are not permitted at school. Parents should ensure their children do not come to school wearing either. Children will be asked to remove makeup and nail varnish.

PLEASE NOTE: Please be aware that school cannot accept responsibility for lost or damaged items (including jewellery, watches, shoes, hair accessories).

Footwear

Morden Primary wants all children to grow into healthy adults. We believe that it is not appropriate for children to wear shoes that have platform soles, flip flops, ugg-type boots, 'Toms' type espadrilles or high heels whilst at school. Therefore, we do not allow children to wear such shoes in our school. Shoes for Morden Primary should offer good support and offer protection.

We require and expect all children to wear black suitable shoes. Trainers and plimsols should be used for PE lessons only. In any case, a change of footwear should be brought into school for PE.

Permitted



Not Permitted



Items of Clothing "School Uniform"



SCHOOL UNIFORM

Royal Blue Morden Jumper with logo or Royal Blue Morden Cardigan with logo

Grey trousers
Grey Shorts
Grey Skirt/Grey Pinafore
Blue and White "gingham" dress (Summer)
Tights – **grey or white only** may be worn

Black shoes/Plimsolls
Grey, black or white socks

Years 1 -6

White Shirt with school tie
KS1 is an elasticated tie; KS2 is a regular tie

EYFS (Early Years Foundation Stage – Nursery and Reception)

Nursery and Reception (EYFS)

White polo shirt or White Collared Shirt
Blue Logo Book bag and Blue Logo PE bag

OPTIONAL: A blue fleece, embroidered with the school logo. Please note, this fleece is in addition to the school jumper, and may not be used instead of the jumper.

PE KIT

PE is not optional! A change of clothing for any physical activity is essential. Children must bring a PE kit into school that can be changed into from their normal school uniform. It is important that children are not doing PE in items of their normal school uniform, such as polo tops. No football tops are permitted.

T-shirt with embroidered or printed school logo in the child's hummingbird team colour
(Red, Blue, Orange, Green and Yellow)

Black shorts/Black tracksuit bottoms

Trainers/Plimsolls

Sun Hats/Caps should be brought into school for the summer months and sun cream applied before coming to school.

The Role of Parents and Carers

We require all parents/carers who send children to Morden Primary to support the uniform policy.

- ✚ We believe that parents have a duty to send their children to school correctly and appropriately dressed and ready for their daily school work and routines.***
- ✚ One of the responsibilities of parents is to ensure that their child is wearing the appropriate school uniform; that it is clean and in a good state of repair.***

Monitoring & Review

This policy will be reviewed in line with the policy review framework through Governor committee meetings. A copy of this policy is available online at www.mordenprimary.merton.sch.uk

As outlined above our school operates a full uniform policy and therefore requires all pupils to wear the full uniform every day. If we notice that pupils have not been wearing the full uniform or parts of it (including shoes) the class teacher will give two verbal warnings. If there is no improvement, we shall write to you to inform you to correct this immediately. This is without exception.

Please see the attached letter that we send when we have concerns over the standard of dress. We take this very seriously so that all focus in our school can be about learning and improving attitudes to learning.

Teachers and TLA's may check uniform on entering classes in the morning and may provide you with reminders directly in order that you have time to address this.



Letter from Uniform Policy



Dear Parent/Carer

Name:

Class:

Date:

Your child has not been wearing the correct school uniform. This is a requirement in our school. It helps promote a sense of pride and positive attitudes to learning.

As you are aware from the Uniform Policy there are no exceptions to the wearing of the required uniform.

We have noticed that:

Please address this immediately. If you need to purchase additional items of school uniform, this can be done via the following website:

<http://www.mapac.com/education/parents/uniform/mordenprimaryschools45x>

You may also wish to search the lost property for missing items too.

I trust you shall help us to see an immediate improvement in this matter.

Yours sincerely



Mrs P. Blow
Headteacher

Phase Leader