

Drifffield Junior School



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Dear Parents/Carers

School Uniform

We have noticed recently that a small number of children, particularly in the upper part of our school, are not fully complying with our school uniform expectations.

At Drifffield Junior School we firmly believe that the wearing of uniform allows all children, regardless of their background, to feel equal to their peers and confident in their appearance. Uniform gives children an identity and a pride in their school, as well as a feeling of 'belonging' to something, similar to belonging to a sports team, Guides, Scouts etc. The wearing of uniform also takes away the pressure that some children may feel of having to 'outshine' others through what they wear.

Yesterday I spoke to the children in assembly about this very topic and brought to their attention the number of adults who have to wear uniform for their work; we equated them being at school as similar to adults being at work. They wear uniform when they're at school because they are 'working' and they wear their casual clothes at home when they are relaxing, taking part in hobbies etc.

The point of this letter is to ask parents and carers to ensure their child is wearing the correct uniform. It is important that children see parents and school working together to promote a shared compliance. We understand that there may be very exceptional circumstances when, for a short period, a child may need to wear something different. If this is ever the case, we ask that you contact school by email or phone call to explain. We may be able to help! Otherwise, here is a reminder of our uniform.

- Grey or black trousers, tailored shorts, skirt or pinafore dress (or gingham summer dress)
- White polo shirt or blouse (the crest on the polo shirt is optional)
- Burgundy crew neck sweatshirt or cardigan (ideally with the school crest)
- Sensible black shoes or boots (or flat sandals in the summer)

At present we still advise children to bring an additional top (jumper or hoodie for example) to wear over their uniform for times when the classroom may be chilly. Although our heating is on all the time, we are still keeping rooms ventilated to help mitigate the spread of Covid and other viruses.

Many thanks for your support with this matter and I hope

Yours truly,

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Mrs L J Laird
Headteacher

