

# School Uniform Guidance 2024–2025



At Fossebrook, we believe that uniform is important for several reasons. Wearing a uniform:

- promotes a sense of pride in the school;
- fosters respect and pride in appearance;
- helps to establish a positive attitude to school;
- promotes a feeling of community and belonging;
- is practical and smart;
- is not distracting in class (as fashion clothes could be);
- makes pupils feel equal to their peers in terms of appearance;
- is regarded as suitable, and good value for money, by most parents and carers;
- has been designed with health and safety in mind;
- Is a great opportunity for the children to embrace the Fossebrook values.



#### The role of parents and carers

We ask all parents and carers who send their children to our school to support the school uniform guidance. We believe that parents and carers have a duty to send their children to school correctly dressed and ready for their daily schoolwork. Parents and carers should ensure that their child has the correct uniform, and that it is clean and in good repair.

If any parent would like the school to consider a modification to the uniform guidance for their child in order to accommodate their religion, belief, ethnicity, disability or any other special consideration, they should write a letter to the Headteacher, in the first instance.

#### Standard uniform

\*Please ensure that all items of uniform are clearly labelled with your child's full name.

At Fossebrook we expect that all pupils wear:

- **Purple sweatshirt** (school colour) or **cardigan** with the school's current logo clearly displayed.
- White polo shirts, blouses or shirts.
- **Grey** trousers, **knee-length** skirts/shorts or pinafore dresses. (**NO** skater skirts, jeans, fashion trousers, jeggings, leggings, combat trousers with zips or outside pockets, joggers or any items with company/fashion/brand logos).
- Black tights (NO stripy or bright coloured tights).
- **Purple and white** gingham (not stripes) dresses, shorts, skorts, or jumpsuits (summer months).
- **Black** school shoes/boots only (**NO** trainers with visible logos or fashion boots with heels); wellingtons or logo trainers should be changed on arrival at school.

In the colder months, children must bring an appropriate coat to school every day. In the warmer months it is recommended that children bring a cardigan or jumper with them every day, as some parts of the school grounds are exposed to weather, and the weather is sometimes unreliable or changeable. If children do not have a cardigan or jumper and staff feel that it is not warm enough for a child to be outside without one, they may be kept inside at break times and outdoor learning times.

No gloves, scarves, hoodies, hats, caps or any other "outside wear" to be worn inside the buildings.

#### Examples of girls' options:











# Logos embroidered on plain sweatshirts/cardigans



The correct Fossebrook school logo should appear as displayed opposite.

#### Fossebrook PE kit

\*Please ensure that all items of uniform are clearly labelled with your child's full name.

PE kits can be worn to school instead of the standard uniform, **only** on the PE days allocated for your child's class.

- A plain, purple, round-neck t-shirt.
- A pair of plain, black shorts, jogging bottoms or leggings.
- A plain, black, unbranded jumper or hoodie.
- A pair of **plain, black** trainers.
- Long hair should be worn tied back.
- Earrings should ideally be removed for the day/lesson or covered with surgical tape (to be supplied by the parents). (Please note: The school are unable to help children to take out/put in earrings.)

All items of PE kit should be plain, with no company/fashion/brand logos.

# **Lost Property**

The school will collect any lost property and where the item is named, we will endeavour to return the item to the child's classroom. Unnamed items will be taken to the lost property box.

Please be aware that we regularly clear the lost property box and any unnamed items without the school logo are taken to the local charity shops.

# **Cosmetics and jewellery**

- No make-up or jewellery except one pair of ear studs and/or a watch.
- No nail varnish. Pupils wearing nail varnish or false nails will be sent a note home and it must be removed by the following day.



#### Hair and clothing accessories

Simple purple, purple and white gingham or plain hair bands/clips (**NO** fashion headbands, i.e. animal ears, headbands with additional items such as flowers, **NO** head scarfs, sweatbands or large bows).

#### **Bookbags/bags**

Bookbags with the school logo can be purchased from Brigade School Uniforms, should you wish your child to have one. If your child does not have a bookbag please ensure that any bag they do bring into school is appropriate and clearly labelled with your child's full name.

#### **After-school clubs**

Children are not permitted to bring in branded sports kits for participation in after-school clubs, e.g. football kits.

#### Non-compliance of the School Uniform Guidance

At Fossebrook we expect all pupils to follow the school uniform guidance. We will discuss with pupils and parents any breaches of the school's rules on appearance and uniform. Pupils will be reminded of the uniform guidance and asked to remove items or not to wear specific items the next day. If pupils do not comply with the school uniform guidance the following day, consequences may take place, such as:

- Confiscation of banned item(s) for collection by parent/carer.
- Having to remove banned items (if appropriate).
- Having to remove make-up or nail varnish by the next school day.
- Parents contacted and asked to bring in the appropriate clothing.

# **Pupil Premium**

Historically, Fossebrook have supported our Pupil Premium families with the costs of the school uniform and this will be the same for the 2024/2025 academic year. Children who are eligible for Pupil Premium will be provided with an online form towards the end of the summer term to request their desired sizes to receive **two items of uniform** (sweatshirts/cardigans), embroidered with the correct school logo from Brigade School Uniforms.

Please note that only children currently within the school and eligible for Pupil Premium prior to the end of term will be eligible for these items. New starters will not be eligible until the following year.

#### **Brigade School Uniform Details**



Website: Home - Brigade Clothing, LTD

**Phone:** 024 7642 1083



# **Great News!**

We now have an Outlet Site where you can buy plain uniform at less than wholesale prices.



In addition, it also includes overstocked & end of line items with savings of up to 70% and more!

New items are being added every week so don't forget to subscribe to the mailing list to be the first to know of any new offers!



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