

Richard Avenue Primary School

Dress code

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All children are requested to wear school uniform in order to foster a sense of belonging and identity. Our uniform has been designed with the aim of being smart, practical and cost effective.

We ask that all children wear sweatshirts or cardigans with or without the school logo. These are available to purchase new via the Little Gems store in Sunderland or online via The School Outfit web store or preloved (free of charge or in return for a donation to PTA via the letterbox at the school office) by **emailing uniform@richardavenue.co.uk** (please state the items and sizes that you require). Please consider donating any clean preloved items to school via the basket in the main school reception.

We have a Community School Clothing bank in our KS1 corridor. Donations of uniform and other items of clothing can be donated here. Parents can request uniform from here by emailing communityschoolcs@gmail.com.

Uniform

Girls' uniform: white polo shirt, red cardigan/sweatshirt, grey or black skirt, pinafore or trousers. Red/white checked dress for summer. Plain black shoes. Tights/socks should be plain and the colour appropriate to match the overall uniform.

Boys' uniform: white polo shirt, red sweatshirt, plain grey or black trousers or summer shorts, black/grey socks. Plain black shoes.

Red fleece jackets with school logo are optional. Red winter reversible jackets are available to buy only from school.

Physical education (PE) kit

Plain white round neck t -shirt, red or black shorts, plain dark tracksuit bottoms for winter sports. Plain back gym shoes or trainers.

Children at Richard Avenue wear kit to school on PE days however if this does not happen for whatever reason, children are able to borrow appropriate kit from the PE cupboard.

Hair Styles

It is requested by Governors that parents are fully supportive of what Governors deem as being a 'reasonable' hairstyle. Governors appreciate individuality and parents varying interpretation of the word 'reasonable'. Richard Avenue Primary school defines reasonable as:

- no dyed hair
- no extremely short hair
- no excessive beads in braids
- appropriate use of gel
- no tram lines shaved into hair.

Head Scarves

When children are of an appropriate age to wear head scarves, they must be plain red or black in colour.