

Learning together to be the best we can be

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Dear Parents

I have already written to you with details regarding full opening on Monday 8 March and the system of controls we will be operating to help keep everyone safe.

Within this I stated that normal uniform rules apply. At Horton Grange we are always proud of how smart the children look and our school uniform is a big part of ensuring children feel a sense of belonging. We want to quickly re-establish school routines and systems and this sense of normality will help the children to settle quickly and allow us to focus on the core business of learning.

Therefore I am sending a reminder of the school uniform expectations, which are also set out on the school website.

School Uniform

The school has a clear school uniform policy. This policy is enforced for the health and safety of pupils and is based on the notion that school uniform promotes a sense of pride and belonging in the school, eliminates brand fashion and stigma and provides good value for money for parents. Parents are asked to send their children to school tidy and appropriately dressed for the weather of the day.

Upper Key Stage 2 – Years 5 and 6

- Grey sweatshirt
- White shirt
- Grey/black trousers/skirt
- Purple/gold striped tie
- Black shoes (not trainers) – no heels

Lower Key Stage 2, Key Stage 1, EYFS

- Purple cardigan/sweatshirt
- Gold polo shirt
- Grey/black trousers/skirt/pinafore/purple checked dress
- Black shoes (not trainers) – no heels

Whole School

- No sportswear
- No jewellery other than stud earrings/watch

Uniform is available directly from our supplier, Tots to Teams - www.totstoteams.com. A text has already been sent to you with this information. With regards to delivery you have the following options:

- Your uniform order can be delivered to school free of charge
- You can opt for your uniform to be delivered to your home address, however this will incur a delivery charge and someone must be in to sign for it (you will be contacted the day before it is due to be delivered via email)



- You can collect your order from the Tots to Teams shop on the Airport Industrial Estate, Kingston Park. They will contact you when your order is ready for collection. Please note that uniform must be pre-ordered.

Guidelines for hair

In school hair should be safe, neat and tidy at all times. Extremes in fashion are not appropriate for school and nor is hair which is either excessively long or short. It should not be cut in a way that makes it noticeably stand out from the norm. Hair must be natural in colour and not dyed or streaked. Boys hair should not reach over the collar unless worn in a ponytail and should not be cut less than a number 2 or of a stepped style. Designs shaved into the hair are not appropriate for term time. Girls hair should be kept off the face and, if necessary, must be tied back using clips and/or bands. If you are unsure about rules regarding hairstyles please ask for further guidance.

PE Kit

Appropriate clothing must be worn for all PE activity.

Indoors: No jewellery, bare feet, black shorts, white / yellow tee-shirt

Outdoors: No jewellery, black plimsolls or trainers, black shorts, white / yellow tee-shirt, (plain black non branded tracksuit in certain conditions). *(In the period from 8 March until the Easter break when KS1 children are asked to come to school in PE kit on PE days this policy must be applied).*

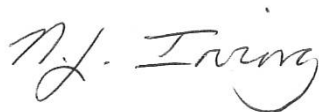
We appreciate that many children may have grown out of unworn uniform and buying new can be costly. You may wish to visit Uniform for all Northumberland at Contract House, Renwick Road, NE24 2NX for items in return for a small donation. The contact number is: 07570095262. The community clothing scheme also has a range of uniform and can be contacted at Silver Fox Way, Cobalt business park, NE27 0QL tel: 07913707573. They would also welcome donated items that are too small. Alternatively we can accept washed items at school and take them for you. Going forward we are keen to do what we can to recycle and reuse good quality, pre-loved uniforms as we understand this can be expensive. Further information on this will be given in the summer term.

Until non-essential shops open on 12 April we appreciate items which cannot be purchased in supermarkets may not be available. In these cases some discretion will be applied until that date. Following this period and certainly going into the new academic year we will have high expectations of the school uniform policy.

Should anyone have questions or concerns please contact Mrs Hewes at school.

We are looking forward to seeing the children on Monday.

Regards,



Nichola Irving
Headteacher