# Linthwaite Clough Uniform Guide 2024

Our pupils look smart and ready to learn! We are proud to belong to Linthwaite Clough and our school uniform is part of our identity.

We consulted with families and staff in developing our uniform. It is designed to be practical, good value and to enable all pupils to apprach every day in clothing which is comfortable, safe and appropriate for learning.







## **Uniform**

- Logo sweatshirt or cardigan
- White or red polo shirt (logo optional)
- Black or grey pinafore, skirt, trousers or smart shorts. No leggings or jogging bottoms. Pull on or stretch jersey school trousers and skirts are suitable. Early years pupils may wear black or grey jogging bottoms.
- Red and white gingham summer dress or playsuit
- Black, grey or red tights
- A practical outdoor coat of any colour. Logo fleeces are available (optional)
- Black practical shoes, ankle boots or black trainers
- School will provide a logo book bag to all pupils during their Reception year
- Jewellery is not permitted for safety reasons
- Religious dress such as patkas, hijabs and yarmulkes are allowed



# **PE Kit**

- This is worn to school on PE days
- Logo PE t shirt or plain red round neck t shirt
- Logo sweatshirt or cardigan (the usual school one)
- Dark jogging bottoms, cotton leggings or shorts
- Practical trainers with velcro or shoelaces in any colour.
  No pumps or plimsolls
- Activity-specific items such as swimsuits are required occasionally. These can be any practical style and colour



Please label ALL items with your child's name.

## **Questions**

#### Where can I buy uniform?

Logo uniform items are available for purchase from:

- Natasha Schoolwear, 1-3 Buxton Way, Huddersfield, West Yorkshire, HD1 2UL, 01484 431260, natashaschoolwear.co.uk
- **Bridge Schoolwear**, 4 -6 Scar Lane, Milnsbridge, Huddersfield, HD3 4PE, 01484 655 655, bridgeschoolwear.co.uk

Logo **PE t shirts** of good quality are available to order from school through ParentPay at a cost of £5.50. (Families new to the school can order from our office and pay on collection).

All other items are widely available from high street and supermarket suppliers.

#### Can we still wear our uniform with the old logo?

Yes, children can continue to wear the previous school uniform items which you may already have. When buying new items, look for the new logo.

## Is the uniform different for girls and boys?

Our uniform policy is gender neutral. Families may choose any options from this guide, regardless of how shops label them.

### What does 'practical' mean?

Learning is active! In choosing uniform, especially shoes, please consider first your child's comfort and ability to move and play. Pick supportive, flat shoes which stay firmly on your child's feet when they run. Heels, flip flops, sliders etc are not appropriate due to safety.

Choosing clothes with fastenings children can do themselves such as velcro shoes or pull on trousers helps with independence. Consider the season – you can choose shorts or summer dresses in hot weather, and add warm underlayers in winter. Accessories such as sun hats or warm gloves for outdoors are recommended when the weather requires it.

#### What if a child has incorrect uniform?

We expect families to support pupils to do their best to wear uniform to school each day. In the event that a child does not have the correct uniform at school, we may lend spare items or may contact parents to find out why or to rectify this, particularly if it's an ongoing issue. We will not sanction pupils for having incorrect uniform.

Please get in touch with us if issues arise affecting your child's uniform.

#### **Affordability**

We understand that the costs of school uniform are a concern to many. We have kept this in mind in planning our uniform, with only one compulsory 'branded' item (jumper/cardigan). We have calculated that fully kitting out one child with two sets of uniform and a PE kit can be done for under £50.

If your family is struggling with the cost of uniform, please get in touch with school.

**Uniform Exchange www.uniform-exchange.org**Kirklees Uniform Exchange is a fantastic resource for local families. You can apply via their website for free second hand uniform and items such as coats and bags.



They have rehomed almost 3 million uniform items since 2011 - great for local families and for the environment. Please consider sending them your outgrown or unneeded items.

We are planning on holding our own uniform swap events within school from next year.

#### SEND, medical and sensory issues

We recognise that some children have special needs, disabilities or injuries which may require a reasonable adjustments of uniform, for example a collar-less shirt, an orthotic shoe, or a loose top due to a broken arm. This would be considered on an individual basis so please contact us to discuss your child's needs if this applies.

Many parents find shopping around, choosing items such as soft jersey trousers and cutting out labels that might irritate can help with comfort, as with any clothing.