

Avanti Park School Dress Code and Clothing Guidance

Currently there is no school uniform for pupils at Avanti Park School. We therefore ask that parents and carers support their children to adhere to the following dress code. Our dress code supports pupils in their work and learning at school and enables them to have full access to the curriculum. In addition to this, we want to help pupils learn a healthy approach to clothing and to facilitate an understanding of what is appropriate dress in a range of social contexts.

We emphasise the suitability of clothing; firstly, so that the children's education is not disrupted by inappropriate clothing, and secondly, in order that the health and safety of the pupils is not compromised by their clothing.

- Clothing must not hinder a pupil's involvement in any school activity.
- Clothing worn to school must be clean
- Pupils should not have any underwear showing, nor should they have bare midriffs or chests. Skirts
 and shorts should be of an appropriate length. Leggings can only be worn if under shorts/skirts or
 dresses.
- Torn clothing is not considered suitable for school.
- Clothes that are dominated by large logos, large pictures or large lettering are not appropriate school-clothing. Visible labels and logos should not be larger than a small strip or a 50p coin.
- Pupils should wear sensible shoes or footwear, appropriate for school and the activities of the day.
- Long hair must be held away from the face this applies to both boys and girls and be tied back. If needed, children should keep a hair band at school for this purpose.
- Hair should be of a natural colour no brightly coloured hair dyes are permitted
- The only jewellery permitted is one simple stud earing in each ear. No other piercings or jewellery are allowed.
- Makeup must not be worn by any pupil of primary age. Any make-up worn by a secondary age pupil
 must be minimal. This includes no nail varnish. Your child will be asked to remove nail varnish or
 excessive make up if it is worn to school.

If there are lapses in following these guidelines, the Class Teacher will have a conversation with the pupil and if this is not sufficient, she or he will seek to talk with the parents and carers. In extreme cases, the parent or carer will be asked to bring in a change of clothes for the pupil.

PE Clothing

All pupils will be taking part in one hour of Yoga and one hour of PE each week.

PE will take place both indoors and outdoors and will include ball skills, agility, athletics, gym and dance at Lower school level. Year 7 and 8 pupils will be playing ball and racquet sports, and will continue with dance, gymnastics, fitness and circus.

All pupils will need a named bag containing:

- · A pair of blue shorts suitable for PE
- · Navy Jogging bottoms
- · A plain white or blue T shirt
- · Plimsolls (for indoor games)
- · Trainers (From Year 3 upwards)
- · A warm top in winter months

Please ensure that a named water bottle is also brought to school every day. Pupils will need access to water in all PE activities and throughout the day.

Kit will need to be taken home at regular intervals for washing, ideally each weekend and brought back into school on Monday. Please label all items with full names so they can be returned to the right pupil if lost.