

## SCHOOL UNIFORM

## Expectations: Calder High School uniform and equipment information

## Essential Uniform:

* Black school blazer.
* White shirt and a house tie.
* Tailored black trousers, or;
* Black knee length, pleated skirt.
* Plain black socks or tights.
* Plain black school shoes or plain black ankle boots.
* Students should have a bag.


## Optional Uniform:

* A black school logo ' $V$ ' neck jumper.
* A plain black hijab
* Tailored black shorts (summer term only)



## Jewellery, Makeup, Mobile phones:

* A watch is allowed.
* One pair of small studs in ears.
* No other false adornments.
* No nail varnish or fake nails.
* No rings, piercings or jewellery allowed.
* Mobile phones must not be used within the building.
* Make-up should be subtle in KS4 and none in KS3.



## Essential Equipment:

* Pen, Pencil, Ruler.
* Calculator.
* PE kit when required.
- Class books.
* Reading book.


## Other information:

* Hair colour. One natural colour.
* Remove coats and non-school jumpers before entering the building. This includes the PE blue hoodie. Blazers must be worn.

* Students must wear kit, even when injured. Students are likely to be outside and they may get wet so a change of clothing is essential.
* Students may be excused from participation with a signed note. Though, lessons will be adapted to suit their needs. For example, students may be asked to coach or officiate when injured.
* Students must remove all jewellery (Health and Safety)


## Primary Uniform:

* At Calder Primary School we are very proud of our pupils and how well they represent our school. We believe that wearing our school uniform plays an important role in giving our pupils pride in their appearance and a sense of identity in our school family. We ask for your support and co-operation in helping us maintain these high standards.


## Essential Uniform:

* Red sweatshirt or cardigan with the school logo
* White polo shirt with the school logo
* Black school trousers, skirt, smart culottes or a pinafore dress
* Black, white or red tights or socks
* Plain black school shoes or black school boots in winter


## Optional Uniform:

* A plain black hijab
* Tailored black shorts (summer term)
* Red and white gingham dress (summer term)



## Other Items:

* School book bags, rucksacks and PE bags are available to purchase but are optional.
* All primary pupils need a water bottle in school and a sun hat in summer, all other equipment is provided.



## PE Kit:



* Red PE t-shirt with school logo
* Black shorts
* Trainers


## Optional Kit:

* A warm jumper, preferably the red Calder Primary PE hoodie.
Alternatively a plain red or black jumper.
* Black jogging bottoms

Please name all items of clothing, especially PE kit and please make sure PE Kit, including trainers, is in school at all times.

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## School Uniform Suppliers

* Shaw Hardcastle, 20 Commercial St, Halifax HX1 1TB— 01422353949

Items such as the white shirt, black skirt and black trousers may be sourced more economically from local superstores, but please make sure that appropriate school-wear is purchased and not fashion equivalents.

* Please make sure all items of school uniform have your child's name in them.


## School Shoes

* Shoes: Conventional black school shoes or plain black ankle boots.

Shoes such as VANS and CONVERSE are not acceptable even in leather. All footwear must also be safe and suitable for school.
Examples of appropriate school shoes


Swap Shop- Pre-Loved Uniform

* Pre-loved uniform is available for both Calder Primary and Calder High. Essential uniform is sold at a greatly reduced cost, with a swap option available for uniform that no longer fits. The swap shop will be open on exam results day from $9 \mathrm{am}-11 \mathrm{am}$. To access the shop throughout the year, please email parentenquiry@calderlearningtrust.com
* Please note: We are extremely grateful for ALL donations to the swap shop.


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## Advantages of wearing school uniform

## 1. Create cohesion

When students all wear the same clothing every day at school, it levels out the playing field. Any expectations on what to wear are removed and children develop a greater sense of equality.

## 2. Reduce the potential for bullying

Without school uniforms, the potential for children to tease and make fun of one another is increased. Children of all socioeconomic backgrounds begin from the same starting point. Without uniforms, children from poorer backgrounds could feel isolated if their parents are unable to afford the latest styles of clothing.
3. Improve confidence

If a child feels like they don't fit in, or they don't have the latest and best clothing, it can be damaging to their confidence.

## 4. Increase safety

There are significant safety concerns to not adopting a uniform in school. With their school colours on, children can immediately be recognised at a distance as a member of that school. In a situation where someone who isn't a member of the school is on-site, they can be easily identified as not part of the school by their lack of uniform.

## 5. Fairer dress codes

When a school adopts a uniform, it creates a simple and standardised dress code. When children are allowed to wear what they like, innumerable variations mean schools must adopt a long list of dos and don'ts to formulate their dress code. These dress codes are often harsher on girls too, making for an unfair and unequal community.

## 6. Remove peer pressure

Children are often under some form of peer pressure but adopting a school uniform can remove one form of it. Without a uniform, children can develop expectations about what should be worn to fit into a certain group. Children divide themselves into cliques and the sense of togetherness that a uniform brings is lost.

## 7. Prepare for the outside world

School uniforms prepare children for formal scenarios that we all encounter in our lives. Depending on the situation, we're expected to dress and look a certain way. Job interviews are a good example.

## 8. Easy mornings for students and parents

As any parent knows, weekday mornings can be chaotic. It can be tricky enough to get yourself ready for work without having to worry about how your child is getting on too. Uniforms remove one more thing from the 'to-do' list of mums and dads every day.

## 9. Encourage professionalism

Some people believe that school uniforms contribute positively to a child's behaviour in school. Their uniform develops an affinity with learning.

## 10. Reduce Distractions

Uniforms make for one less distraction during school. By wearing what they like, children can become more focused on their school status rather than their studies.

## 11. Focus on character

Without a uniform, what they wear can end up defining your child rather than the content of their character. Children should be prioritising the development of their personality, having the confidence to be who they are and not be defined by material things like the clothes they wear.

## 12. Easier economics for parents

Children can be demanding when they notice their friends have something they don't. Without a uniform, the potential for this to happen with clothing increases.

Lost items
Please make sure all items of school uniform have your child's name in them.
Jewellery, makeup and mobile phones:
The school accepts no responsibility for the above items that are lost, damaged or stolen on school premises or transport, during school visits or trips, or while pupils are travelling to and from school.

