Round Hill Primary School

Uniform Consultation FAQs (v2)

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Why are you announcing the changes so far in advance?

We are consulting on the possibility of introducing an active wear school uniform from **September 2027**. Families are being informed well in advance so that any future changes can be planned carefully and so there is meaningful time for consultation and feedback before decisions are made. There is no expectation for families to make any changes before September 2027.

Will my child need a new uniform for January 2027?

No. There will be no changes to uniform requirements during the 2026-27 academic year. Any agreed changes would not come into effect until **September 2027**, and details of any transition arrangements would be shared with families following the consultation and final decision.

What about younger siblings who inherit uniform?

We understand that many families rely on hand-me-down uniform and appreciate the savings this provides. Affordability will be an important part of the consultation process and will be considered carefully when any future uniform arrangements are reviewed. We will also continue to support families through our uniform recycling and second-hand uniform provision.

Why is the school considering an active wear uniform?

The proposal supports our vision for active learning, outdoor play and the continued development of our school environment. The aim is to ensure children can participate comfortably and confidently in a wide range of learning experiences throughout the day while promoting wellbeing, independence and inclusion.

Does this mean children cannot learn or play effectively in the current uniform?

No. This proposal is not being considered because children cannot learn, play or be active in the current uniform. Rather, it reflects our ambition to remove potential barriers to movement and maximise children's comfort and participation in active and outdoor learning opportunities.

Will active wear suit every child?

We recognise that every child is different. The intention is not to reduce comfort, choice or individuality. We understand that some children may have sensory, practical or personal preferences, and these considerations will form an important part of the consultation process.

Will cardigans, dresses or other clothing options still be available?

Potentially, yes. Suggestions such as cardigans, dresses and other adaptations have already been raised and will be considered through the consultation process.

What footwear is being considered as part of the active wear uniform?

Flexible, sturdy shoes with good grips will allow children to play in mud, sand and to run around and climb. We already have non-logo'd black trainers within our school uniform policy and this will be the preferred footwear for all children.

Have the final uniform items already been decided?

No. The purpose of the consultation is to gather views on the possibility of adopting a more active school uniform. Feedback received from parents, carers, pupils and staff will play a significant role in shaping the options considered and informing the final recommendation and decision.

What colours will the uniform be?

No decisions have been made regarding colours. Feedback on colour preferences will form part of the wider consultation process alongside discussions about practicality, affordability, comfort, inclusivity and uniform options.

Has a consultation already taken place?

School leaders and governors have been considering the potential benefits of a more active school uniform as part of wider developments in active play, outdoor learning and pupil wellbeing. The formal consultation is taking place between **November 2026 and January 2027**, giving families, pupils, staff and governors an opportunity to share their views before any final decisions are made.

What will the consultation cover?

The consultation will provide opportunities for parents, carers, children and staff to share views on:

- Uniform options and styles
- Practicality and comfort
- Inclusivity and accessibility
- Affordability
- Colour choices
- Optional items
- How the policy can best meet the needs of our school community

How will consultation feedback be used?

Following the consultation period, a working group made up of representatives from parents, governors, staff and school leaders will review all responses. Feedback will play a significant role in shaping the options considered and helping to formulate the final recommendation and decision.

How can I take part in the consultation?

Families can share their views by:

- Completing the online feedback form.
- Attending the face-to-face consultation event at **2:00 p.m. on Thursday 21st January 2027**.
- Participating in any additional opportunities for feedback that may be offered during the consultation period.

When will a decision be made?

The consultation will run until the end of January 2027. Final decisions will be shared with families in **February 2027**. If changes are agreed, they would come into effect from **September 2027**.

When will more information be available?

Updates about the consultation process, emerging themes from feedback and any future proposals will be shared with families throughout the consultation period and after decisions have been made.

How can I share additional questions or suggestions?

If you have questions or suggestions that are not covered by these FAQs, please use the online feedback form. We welcome all views and encourage as many families as possible to take part in the consultation.

Key Message

No changes to the school uniform will take effect before September 2027. We are committed to listening carefully to the views of parents, carers, pupils and staff throughout this consultation, and the feedback received will play an important role in shaping any future decisions.