

## Maidenbower Infant School Nursery

### CLOTHING POLICY

At our Nursery we want staff and children to enjoy all aspects of Nursery safely. In order to achieve this we have set up this Clothing Policy outlining a few simple measures.

#### **In General**

- \* Parents are encouraged to send their child in clothes, including coats and shoes that are practical so they are free to express themselves and join in all the activities including messy ones.
- \* Nursery t-shirts and sweatshirts are available to buy. Parents are encouraged to dress their child in these at Nursery; however, this is not compulsory.
- \* We encourage the children to be independent so please ensure your child is dressed in clothes that they are able to manage by themselves.
  - **Please avoid sending your child in over-the-head coats, belts, long dresses/skirts and tight clothing as the children can find these difficult to manage independently.**
- \* Sensible shoes must be worn, firstly for comfort and safety of your child and also to prevent accidents for all the children. These must be flat shoes. During wet weather children will be changing into wellington boots when they go outside to play so please ensure that they have shoes that they can manage themselves.eg Velcro, zips - no laces!
  - **Flip-flop style shoes and crocs are not to be worn. This is for Health and Safety reasons related to physical play.**
- \* Parents are encouraged to ensure that their child has spare clothing eg underwear, socks and trousers/shorts/skirt, t-shirt in their named clear plastic bag (provided by the nursery). Parents must ensure that all items of clothing and footwear are named clearly.
- \* Parents must not send their child in any jewellery except stud earrings.
- \* Children should have a coat with them in nursery every day.

#### **Wet Weather**

- \* On wet days please send your children in hooded waterproof coats. The children have access to the outside area all day and we go out to play in all weathers. We provide waterproof trousers and wellies.
- \* If you bring your children to Nursery wearing wellies please bring a pair of shoes for them to wear in the nursery.

#### **Sun Protection**

- \* Sun cream should be applied before the children attend Nursery.
- \* Staff will apply Boots Soltan factor 30 children's sun cream to top up during the day when they feel it necessary.

- \* To protect children, strappy tops or dresses are not allowed. They must wear t-shirts or dresses with short sleeves that protect their shoulders and necks from the sun.
- \* The nursery provides sun hats which children are required to wear at all times during outdoor play. (between 1<sup>st</sup> May and 1<sup>st</sup> October)
- \* Drinking water is available at all times of the day.
- \* Children that show signs of burning/heatstroke will be sent indoors to protect themselves from further sun damage.
- \* Staff aim to be positive role models and ensure children have some knowledge of how to stay healthy in the sun.

### **Cold Weather**

- \* Children should always have a warm coat when the weather is cold. They will always have the opportunity to go outside in all weathers.( we will phone parents and ask them to bring in appropriate outdoor wear if they arrive without it)
- \* Additionally, ensure your child has a named hat, scarf, gloves/mittens
- \* If it has snowed or is snowy we will take the children outside to enjoy the fun.

**THIS POLICY IS REVIEWED ANNUALLY. A SIGNED COPY OF THE POLICY IS DISPLAYED ON THE PARENTS INFORMATION TABLE IN THE NURSERY.**