



White Woods
Primary Academy Trust



School Uniform Policy

Responsibility	Headteacher
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Statement of Intent

Our policy has been created with health and safety, value for money, and practicality at its heart. It has been designed to ensure pupils wear clothing conducive to a successful learning environment. It is important that our pupils feel a sense of belonging and community through a smart and practical uniform.

We believe a uniform allows all pupils, regardless of background, to feel equal to their peers and confident in their appearance.

Introduction

All pupils at Wickersley Northfield Primary must wear the school uniform at school, when on school trips and when participating in school organised events outside normal school hours.

Our Aims

We believe school uniform is important because it:

- Promotes a sense of pride in the school
- Provides a sense of community and belonging towards the school
- Is practical and smart
- Identifies the pupil at our school
- Ensures pupils feel equal to their peers in terms of appearance
- Is regarded as suitable wear for school and good value for money
- Is designed with health and safety in mind

School Colours

The school colours are:

- Navy
- Light blue
- Burgundy

School Uniform

We ask that **all** pupils wear the appropriate school uniform and footwear on a daily basis.

Our school uniform is as follows:

Navy trousers, skirts or pinafore dress

Burgundy cardigan or sweatshirt (plain or school logo)

Light blue polo shirt (plain or school logo)

Black shoes or plain black trainers

Socks - plain black, navy or white

Tights - plain navy or burgundy

Blue and white gingham dress (summer term - after the Easter break)

Navy shorts

Burgundy fleece - this is classed as outerwear and may only be worn inside, in certain circumstances at the discretion of staff

Caps and sunhats can be worn outside, for sun protection, during hot weather conditions.

For clarity, leggings must be navy and are strictly permitted only as an undergarment beneath a skirt or pinafore dress.

PE Kit

Our PE kit is as follows:

Indoor: Blue shorts, plain white round neck T-shirt and plimsolls

Outdoor: Blue sweatshirt and joggers (not leggings) or tracksuit, white round neck T-shirt and trainers.

Please ensure that PE uniform does not have any visible logos or branding.

Please note, PE is not optional and is legally required to be part of the curriculum. It is the responsibility of parents and carers to ensure children bring the appropriate clothing.

For basic health and hygiene reasons, it is important that ALL pupils have a change of clothing for PE. Please ensure that earrings are not worn on PE days or can be removed by your child. All long hair must also be tied back.

Fostering independence is fundamental to a child's development. Our PE lessons require children to change into their PE kit, serving a dual purpose. Beyond ensuring that children are suitably dressed for physical activity, it provides a vital opportunity to practice getting dressed and organised, a key Early Learning Goal that builds essential self-care skills.

This independence will prove increasingly valuable as they move through the school. Specifically, it prepares children for the self-sufficient changing needed for Year 4 swimming lessons, where managing their own belongings is crucial. It also further equips them for the greater levels of independence expected in secondary school.

Jewellery

For health and safety reasons, and to maintain a consistent appearance, jewellery is not permitted at school. The only exceptions are small stud earrings (one per earlobe) and basic analogue or digital wristwatches designed solely for telling time.

If stud earrings are worn, they must be removed by the child for all PE and swimming lessons. If a child cannot remove their own earrings, we ask that they are removed at home on these days. No other jewellery, including necklaces, bracelets, or rings, should be worn to school.

Smartwatches, or any watch with capabilities beyond telling time (e.g., messaging, calling, internet access, cameras, or games), are strictly prohibited. These devices can cause distraction and raise safeguarding concerns.

If a child wears inappropriate jewellery or a smartwatch to school, they will be asked to remove it. The item will be kept safely in the school office until the end of the school day, or until a parent can collect it.

Make-up and hair

Pupils are not permitted to wear makeup or nail polish at school. These products are deemed unsuitable for the school environment.

Hair accessories should be practical, discreet, and in school colours e.g. plain navy, light blue or burgundy (blue gingham may be worn during the summer term).

To maintain a consistent and appropriate appearance for school,

extreme hairstyles, patterns shaved into hair, and unnatural hair colours are not allowed.

Our uniform policy is inclusive of all cultures and religions. We will always accommodate hairstyles and head coverings worn for cultural or religious reasons. For any questions or to request a specific adjustment, please speak to your child's class teacher.

The Role of the Parents

We ask that all parents who send their children to our school support our school uniform policy. We believe that parents have a duty to send their children to school correctly dressed and ready for the school day.

It is the responsibility of parents to ensure that their child has the correct uniform and that it is clean and in good repair.

All clothing should be clearly labelled with the pupil's name.

We understand that there may be circumstances where adherence to our uniform policy presents challenges. We are committed to inclusivity and making reasonable adjustments where necessary. If you need to discuss a potential adjustment for your child, please contact their class teacher in the first instance, or our SENCO (Special Educational Needs Coordinator).

Additionally, to support our families and promote sustainability, pre-loved uniform is available from school. Please contact the office team or Mrs Kingston, our Learning Mentor, if you require any items. The school will also make pre-loved uniform available at the end of each half-term.

Complaints

The school endeavours to resolve all uniform complaints locally and informally, in accordance with the school's complaints policy.

Policy Review

This policy is reviewed every two years by the headteacher and chair of governors.

