



School Uniform Policy

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Review Due: September 2026

Introduction

It is our policy that all children should be encouraged to wear school uniform when attending school, or when participating in a school organised event outside normal school hours.

The DfE (Department for Education) 'strongly encourages schools to have a uniform' as they believe 'it can play a valuable role in contributing to the ethos of a school and set an appropriate tone.'

Aims and objectives

Our policy is based on the notion that a school uniform:

- promotes a sense of pride in the school;
- engenders a feeling of community and belonging;
- promote a positive working atmosphere throughout the school
- builds a sense of identity;
- is practical and smart;
- identifies the children with the school;
- makes children feel equal to their peers in terms of appearance;
- is regarded as suitable, and good value for money, by parents;
- supports positive behaviour;
- has been designed with health and safety in mind.

Items of uniform

The school colour is burgundy. No branded clothing (sport brands such as Nike, Adidas etc) is permitted.

Plain, non-branded uniform without the school logo is accepted as long as it is the correct burgundy colour.

Our school uniform comprises of the following items:

- Grey or black trousers/skirt/pinafore or burgundy tartan skirt/pinafore
- White polo shirt/shirt/blouse
- Burgundy sweatshirt/cardigan with the school logo (plain burgundy sweatshirt/cardigan without the school logo is acceptable)
- Black school shoes (not trainers, although children are allowed to bring trainers to school to change into at lunchtime to save wear on school shoes)



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- Red and white school dresses or school shorts are acceptable in the warmer weather.

Our school PE kit comprises the following items:

- a pair of black shorts
- a red T-shirt
- a pair of black trainers (not pumps).

Children should wear their school jumper over the top of their P.E kit.

In the winter months, children are welcome to wear plain black jogging bottoms (no logos or stripes).

Purchasing

We want school uniform to be affordable for all families and will do what we can to support families that are experiencing hardship.

All generic items such as trousers, skirts, t shirts, polo shirts, shirts, plain sweatshirts and shorts can be purchased from all supermarkets at very competitive prices.

Items with the school logo such as sweatshirts, cardigans, fleece jackets and tartan skirts/pinafores may be ordered and purchased directly from Kids Essentials - 762 Northfield, Birmingham, B31 2NN.

Those items with the school logo can also be ordered and purchased from the school office.

Rubery Swop Shop

Rubery Swop Shop is a charity that provides free preloved school uniform. This service helps families by providing free uniforms, PE kits, shoes, forest school clothes and anything else that may be needed for school. Absolutely anyone is welcome to use and donate preloved clothing. Their address is 224 New Road, Rubery, Birmingham B45 9JH. Alternatively, they can be contact via: ruberyswopshop@outlook.com

We warmly welcome donations of clean preloved uniform and shoes that we can pass on to Rubery Swop Shop for our families to access.

Woodgate Wardrobe.

Woodgate wardrobe is an in-school provision. We provide pre-loved, clean uniform that has been donated. Parents can access this free of charge.



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Jewellery

In accordance with the Local Authority requirements on health and safety, we do not allow children to wear jewellery in our school. The exceptions to this rule are small, simple studs in pierced ears, small objects of religious significance or wristwatches. "Smart" watches are strictly prohibited.

Extreme haircuts / Make-up

- The school does not permit children to have haircuts / hair colourings that could serve as a distraction to other children. This includes bright colours that have been sprayed onto or gelled into the hair.
- Mid to long length hair should be tied back at all times.
- The wearing of make-up is not permitted.
- The wearing of false nails or false eyelashes is not permitted

The Role of Parents

We ask all parents who send their children to our school to support the 'School Uniform Policy'. We believe that parents have a duty to send their children to school correctly dressed and to support the policies of the school. Parents should ensure that their child has the correct uniform / colours and that it is clean and in good condition.

The Role of the Governing Body

The Governing body supports the Headteacher in implementing the school uniform policy. It considers all representations from parents regarding this policy and liaises with the Headteacher to ensure that the policy is implemented fairly and with sensitivity.

It is the Governing body's responsibility to ensure that the school uniform meets all national regulations concerning equal opportunities and that the school uniform policy is consistent with the school's policy on equal opportunities.

Governing body members ensure that the school uniform policy helps children to dress sensibly in clothing that is hardwearing, safe, practical and affordable.

Monitoring and review

This policy will be reviewed by the Governing body annually.