

School Uniform Policy

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Introduction

At Willow Tree, we pride ourselves in being smart and ready for learning. It is our policy that all children wear school uniform when attending school or when participating in school – organised events outside normal school hours. We ask that children take a pride in their personal appearance.

Aims and Objectives

Our policy on school uniform is based upon the belief that:
It promotes a sense of belonging and community towards our school
Identifies pupils with the school
Promotes a sense of pride in our school
Supports our commitment to inclusion
Is practical and smart
Is good value for money

Jewellery, Hair Ornaments, Make-up and Nail Varnish

We do not allow children to wear jewellery for many reasons including safety. The exception to this are earring studs in pierced ears.

Children are required to remove any items during P.E lessons to prevent them from causing injury

Please note: Teachers are not allowed to remove earrings

Hair bands, ribbons/bows or “scrunchies” should be plain and either navy blue, green, black or grey to match our uniform. Hairbands should not have large flowers or other decorations attached.

Make up and nail varnish should not be worn to school.

Headscarves / Headgear- These may be worn for religious reasons but must be in school colours – navy blue, green black or white.

Footwear

For health and safety reasons we do not allow children to wear shoes with platform soles or high heels. All children are required to wear plain all black shoes without logos. See picture below



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The Role of Parents

We believe that one of the responsibilities of parents is to ensure that their child has the correct uniform and P.E kit and that it is clean, in good repair and that the child's name is visibly labelled on all items. If a parent has difficulties with fulfilling this request they should ask to speak confidentially to member of the pastoral team Mr Thorpe or Mrs Scholes to discuss these issues. We will do all we can to help.

The school welcomes children from all faith communities and backgrounds. If there are reasons for example such as religious or cultural why parents would want their child to wear clothes that differ from the school uniform the Uniform Policy will consider such requests sympathetically. If any parent would like to request an exception to the uniform policy they should, in the first instance contact the Headteacher and then the Governors.

The Role of Governors

The governing board supports the Headteacher in implementing the school uniform policy. It considers all representations from parents regarding the uniform and liaises with the Headteacher to ensure the policy is implemented fairly and with sensitivity. It is the governor's responsibility to ensure that the school uniform meets all regulations concerning equal monitoring and review opportunities. Governors ensure that the school uniform policy enables children to dress sensibly, in clothing that is affordable, hardwearing, safe and practical.

Monitoring and Review

The governing board monitors and reviews the school uniform policy through its committee work by:

Seeking the views of parents to ensure they agree with and support the policy

Considering, with the Headteacher any requests from parents for individual children to have special dispensation with regard to school uniform.

School Uniform

The Willow tree school uniform consists of:

Navy blue jumpers or cardigans with or without the Willow Tree school logo

Plain white polo or cotton shirt (long or short sleeved)

Grey shorts, trousers or skirts

White, grey or black socks

Summer – Green or Navy gingham checked dress

Please note skirts should be an appropriate length and of a style which allows sitting comfortably on the floor. When shorts are worn, they should also be of an appropriate length.

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P.E Uniform

Black shorts – plain

White T-Shirt or plain house T shirt

Plain House T-Shirt (Green for Pankhurst, red for Lowry, purple for Campbell, blue for Eccleston and yellow for Kingsley)

A pair of pumps or trainers – Velcro fastenings are advisable for younger children or those who cannot tie their shoe laces.

Plain black or grey jogging bottoms or leggings for outdoor lessons in cold weather

Earrings should be removed for P.E lessons.

Pre-Loved Uniform

The school holds a number of uniform items that have been donated from parents, all in excellent condition. This uniform is held in the school reception foyer.