



Willow Bank Infant School

Uniform Policy

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Introduction

It is our school policy that all children wear school uniform when attending school, or when participating in school-organised events outside of normal school hours. We ask children to wear their shirts tucked into the skirts or trousers and to take pride in their personal appearance. Some items of uniform can be bought from school, whilst others are easily available at competitive prices at local shops, including supermarkets. A complete list of the items needed for school uniform including those for Physical Education is available on the website.

Aims and Objectives

Our policy on school uniform is based on the belief that school uniform:

- promotes a sense of pride in our school
- helps to create a sense of community and belonging toward the school
- identifies the children with the school
- supports our commitment to inclusion
- prevents children from wearing 'fashion clothes' that could be distracting in class
- is practical, smart and designed with health and safety in mind
- is considered good value for money by most parents

Jewellery, Hair Ornaments, Make up and Nail Varnish

For health and safety reasons we do not allow children to wear jewellery. The exceptions to this rule are earring studs in pierced ears and small objects of religious significance. Children are required to remove any items during PE lessons to prevent them from causing injury. Please note that teachers are not permitted to remove earrings. Hair bands, ribbons and bows should be secure and not pose a distraction to the children. Make up and nail varnish should not be worn to school. Extreme hairstyles are not appropriate for school and the use of styling products should be kept to a minimum and children should not have decorative patterns cut into their hair or have their hair coloured or dyed.

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 black shoes or boots without logos. If boots are large and prevent a child from being able to sit comfortably on the floor, then they may be asked to wear their PE shoes in the building.

The role of Parents

We believe that the responsibilities of the parent are to ensure that their child has the correct uniform and PE kit and that it is clean, in good repair and labelled with the child's name. If a parent has difficulties for any reason in fulfilling this request they are asked to speak in confidence to a senior member of staff. Parents should be assured that we will do all we can to help. The school welcomes children from all backgrounds and faith communities. If, for serious reasons, a parents

wishes to request a modification to the uniform policy, they should in the first instance contact the headteacher.

The Role of the Governors

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

Monitoring and Review

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

- seeking the views of parents to ensure that they agree with and support the policy
- considering with the headteacher any requests for parents of individual children to have special dispensation with regard to school uniform.

School Uniform List

Our school uniform is a colour combination of grey, green and white. Most items can be bought from local shops. Items marked with * below have the school logo on and are sold in school. Please speak to the office for details of pricing.

Girls

- Grey skirt, pinafore dress or trousers worn with white polo shirt
- Green school cardigan or jumper *
- Green/White checked summer dress
- White socks in summer, Grey socks or Grey tights in winter

Please ensure that skirts are long enough for a child to sit comfortably on the floor. Leggings should not be worn.

Boys

- Grey shorts or trousers
- White polo shirt
- Green school jumper *
- Grey socks

Shoes should be flat, black and suitable for school.

PE Kit

All children should have:

- Green PE Tshirt *

- Black PE shorts
- Black Plimsolls

This should be stored in a drawstring PE kit bag. Please do not use bulky backpacks.

For health and safety reasons, children are not permitted to wear earrings for PE. If children are unable to remove their earrings, they will be given a plaster to place over them and to prevent them from causing injury.