

**Wootton St Peter's CE Primary School, Wootton
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SCHOOL UNIFORM POLICY

Introduction

It is our school policy that all children wear school uniform when attending school, or when participating in a school-organised event outside normal school hours. We provide a complete list of the items needed for school uniform in available from the school office.

Aims and Objectives

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

- promotes a sense of pride in the school;
- engenders a sense of community and belonging towards the school;
- is practical and smart;
- identifies the children with the school;
- prevents children from coming to school in fashion clothes that could be distracting in class;
- makes children feel equal to their peers in terms of appearance;
- is regarded as suitable wear for school and good value for money by most parents;
- is designed with health and safety in mind.

School Uniform

Children wear school uniform which consists of our Wootton St Peter's School sweatshirt or cardigan, which comes in red for Foundation stage through to Year 5 and navy for our Year 6 children. It is worn with a white polo shirt and grey or black (not denim) trousers or skirt. In the summer children may wear red and white checked dresses and smart grey or black shorts can be worn.

Each child should have a pair of black shorts, a plain white T-shirt and trainers or plimsolls for PE. These should be in school at all times. In addition in winter, the children should have plain tracksuit bottoms/leggings and sweatshirt. These should be kept in a drawstring bag available from the school office.

It is essential that all clothing is named.

Optional outdoor fleece jackets, with the school logo are available in red or black.

The school logo is the only one that is permitted. Heavily branded items are not to be worn as clothing or as footwear.

Footwear

Children need to have a change of shoes for wearing indoors as most of the school is carpeted, ideally black in colour. For health and safety reasons children should not wear slippers, backless shoes, platform soles or high heels as indoor or outdoor footwear. If trainers are used for PE they must not also be your child's inside shoes as well.

Jewellery

On Oxfordshire County Council health and safety grounds, we do not allow children to wear jewellery in school. The exceptions to this rule are ear-ring studs in pierced ears

and small objects of religious significance. Children are allowed to wear a watch. We ask the children to either remove these objects before PE and games, to prevent them causing injury. Nail varnish is not to be worn to school.

Times when uniform is not worn

When children are representing the school and not wearing uniform, their clothing should be appropriate to the activity being undertaken and not likely to cause offence to others. Clothing should also be suited to expected weather conditions. The normal guidelines as to footwear and jewellery still apply. This includes non-uniform days and trips outside school.

The role of parents

We ask all parents who send their children to our school to support the school uniform policy. One of the responsibilities of parents is to ensure that their child has the correct uniform and that it is clean and in good repair. If any parent would like the school to modify the uniform policy, they should make representation, in the first instance, to the Headteacher. The school welcomes children from all backgrounds and faith communities and if there are any reasons why parents want their child to wear clothes that differ from the school uniform, the school will look sympathetically at such requests.

The role of 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 implemented fairly and sensitively. It is the governors' responsibility to ensure that the school uniform meets all regulations concerning equal opportunities. Governors ensure that the school uniform policy helps children to dress sensibly, in clothing that is hardwearing and practical.

Monitoring and review

The governing body monitors and reviews the school uniform policy by:

- seeking the views of parents, to ensure that 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;
- receiving Headteacher reports to the governors on the way the school uniform policy is implemented.