

WOODLANDS PRIMARY SCHOOL



School Dress Code Policy

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Woodlands Primary School fully endorses the principle that school uniform should be affordable for everyone. Accordingly, the majority of our uniform can be bought from local high street stores or supermarkets. An annual review of uniform costs takes place in order to ensure that it continues to be affordable to everyone.

We ensure that our suppliers of branded uniform are affordable and easily accessible to our parents, stocked in local stores and also available to order online for those who prefer.

School does not receive any profit or commission from uniform sales.

Rationale

Having a school dress code helps us to promote a sense of **community and unity** within the school. It plays a key role in **promoting pride and self-confidence**. It can **break down barriers and increase student focus**. These factors contribute to students' wellbeing, removing the additional pressures of deciding what to wear and added stress of meeting the expectations of their peers. School uniform also **promotes safety** within the school and playground environment. Although not compulsory, we ask that parents engage with us in this respect.

Equality

School ensures that its uniform policy does not discriminate unlawfully. Every step has been taken to ensure that the cost of similar uniform items, for example, trousers versus skirts, are not disproportionate. The school endeavours to ensure that our uniform is as gender neutral and inclusive as possible. We do not insist that children of any sex must wear specific items of clothing.

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All the children at Woodlands are asked to wear the following:

- Grey trousers/skirt/pinafore
- White polo shirt/shirt/blouse
- Forest green sweatshirt/cardigan (with or without school logo)
- Green and white check dresses and grey shorts are optional during the summer months
- Sensible black shoes (no trainers)

We ask that children come dressed for PE on the days they have it (usually twice per week). For clubs, children can change into their kits after school, wearing uniform for the day.

Uniform is not required for children attending our Nursery classes.

Woodlands PE Kit

- Black shorts
- Plain white 'T' shirt
- Trainers or pumps
- In the colder months leggings/tracksuits/fleeces/hoodies/sweatshirts can be worn (plain and no logo if possible)

Children who attend swimming are required to bring a swimming costume and towel. Goggles can be worn, only with written permission from parents.

School will normally provide kit for children playing in sports tournaments.

Jewellery & Accessories

Jewellery and hair accessories are potentially hazardous in school, so please make sure your child leaves it at home. No jewellery can be worn for PE, stud earrings must be covered.

Suppliers

Most of our uniform can be purchased from local stores and supermarkets: ASDA, Morrisons, Sainsburys and M & S.

For branded school uniform with a logo, or any additional items, such as bookbag, PE bag etc, we work with:

The Uniform Shop - <https://www.theuniformshopwebsite.co.uk/>

30 Overpool Road
Ellesmere Port
CH66 1JN
0151 345 4656

Uniformity - <https://www.uniformityschools.com/>

Monkhouse - <https://www.monkhouse.com/>

Second-hand Uniform

We are currently working with our PTA to offer a recycle scheme, where good condition school uniform items can be sold on to parents.

Any parents or carers struggling to provide school uniform for their children are encouraged to discuss this with us.

We ask that all uniform is marked with the child's name to avoid it getting lost.