

Uniform Policy

Westmorland Primary school

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Signed: Headteacher

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Purpose

It is the policy of Westmorland Primary School that pupils wear school uniform. Our policy for school uniform is based on the principles that school uniform:-

Promotes a sense of pride in our school

Develops a sense of community and belonging to the school

Is practical and looks smart, and says we have high expectations of your children

Makes children feel equal to others in terms of appearance

Is regarded as suitable clothing for school

Is designed with health and safety in mind

Has a positive impact on behaviour and attitudes in school and prepares children for secondary school expectations and the world of work.

Uniform

Bottle green sweatshirt, jumper or cardigan (without hoods)

Black or grey trousers/skirt or pinafore dress

Yellow polo shirt

In the summer, girls may wear yellow and white, or green and white checked dresses. Children may wear black or grey shorts. These should not be P.E. shorts or cycling shorts.

Sweatshirts and polo shirts, with the school logo on, can be bought online from 'stitch design' at reasonable prices.

It is not compulsory to have the school logo on any items. However all uniform should be free of other logos and brand names.

All of these items can be easily found in supermarkets. Some preloved uniform may be available at school. Please check with the school office. In the summer holidays, Stockport have a school uniform pop-up shop in Merseyway that offers low-cost, preloved uniform.

Children should bring coats to school every day when the weather is cold or wet (not hooded tops).

All uniform should be clearly labelled with the child's name. The school cannot accept responsibility for any lost items.

Footwear

Black shoes or trainers should be worn.

All shoes should be comfortable, flat and safe.

Closed toe sandals are suitable in warm weather.

Flip flops, platform shoes, strappy sandals, white or coloured trainers and boots that rise over the ankle are not acceptable.

Socks should be grey, black or white and tights should be grey or black.

It is not acceptable for children to wear shoes with high heels or open toes.

Boots including wellingtons, can be worn to and from school during adverse conditions but are not suitable to be worn all day. Children must bring another pair of shoes (below the ankle) to change into if boots are worn whilst coming to school.

P.E. Kit

All children should change into their P.E. kit for P.E. lessons for health and safety reasons. Our P.E. kit comprises:

- Shorts (green or black)
- White t-shirt (not vest tops or crop tops)
- Trainers or pumps
- Black or grey jogging bottoms for outdoor P.E (when necessary)
- Plain jumper for cold weather
- P.E. kits should be worn for after school sports clubs.
- All P.E. kits should be free from any form of logo or brand name, apart from the school.
- All P.E. kits should be clearly labelled with the child's name.

Swimming Kit

Girls should wear a one-piece swimming costume. Boys must wear swimming trunks NOT shorts. Long shorts are not permitted. Long hair must be tied back and all children with long hair should wear a swimming hat.

Jewellery

Children must **NOT** wear any hooped earrings, rings, bracelets or necklaces. The only jewellery allowed are simple watches (smart watches or watches that access technology are not acceptable) and small flat stud earrings (worn at their own risk) on days when they do not have sporting activities. The children will need to remove these items for all sporting/physical activity. If a child wearing earrings cannot remove them by themselves, then parents will be expected to come in to remove them, before they can take part in sporting activities or attend after school sports.

General Appearance

Children must not wear nail vanish, false nails, make up or any tattoos, including the stick on variety.

Hair should maintain a sensible standard style, it is not acceptable to have colours or patterns cut into the hair.

Long hair should be tied back with plain dark bobbles or a plain dark coloured headband. This is particularly important in order to prevent the spread of head lice.

Roles and Responsibilities

Parents and Carers

Parents/cares should support our school uniform policy, ensuring their children come to school washed, clean and tidy, in school uniform and with the appropriate P.E. and swimming kit.

Staff

Staff will remind children to wear school uniform. The class teacher will speak to children who do not wear the correct uniform and spare uniform will be issued to those who persistently do not wear uniform.

Governors

Governors will monitor the impact of the policy.

Governors and the Headteacher will consider any request from parents/carers for individual children to have adjustments made to school uniform for medical or committed religious reasons.