

WESTFIELD PRIMARY SCHOOL

School Uniform Policy

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'Love of Life, Love of Learning'

Our Vision

We want all Westfield children to foster a 'Love of Learning and a Love of Life', enabling them to excel, be the best they can and achieve the necessary life skills for their future.

We take PRIDE in how our children look and expect all the children to wear the full School Uniform and kit for PE. This helps maintain a cohesive school community.

The Equality Act 2010

We ensure that our uniform policy avoids discrimination in line with our legal duties under the Equality Act 2010 for example:

- We avoid listing uniform items based on sex, to give all pupils the opportunity to wear the uniform they feel most comfortable in or that most reflects their self-identified gender.
- We make sure that our uniform costs the same for all pupils.
- We allow all pupils to have long hair (although we require long hair to be tied back).
- We allow pupils to wear hijabs (in plain colours - black, white, blue, burgundy or grey).
- We allow pupils with sensory or physical needs to make reasonable adaptations to their uniform depending on their specific needs and subject to health and safety considerations.

Parents/carers are invited to contact the Headteacher if they want to request an amendment to the uniform policy in relation to their child's protected characteristics or the cost of the uniform. Requests will be considered on a case-by-case basis and must comply with relevant health and safety considerations.

Affordability

We ensure that our uniform is affordable, in line with statutory guidance from the Department for Education (DfE) on the cost of school uniform, for example:

- by enabling parents to purchase uniform without a logo from High street stores or supermarkets, to secure the best value for money.
- by avoiding specific requirements for items pupils could wear on non-school days, such as coats and bags.
- keeping the number of optional branded items to a minimum.
- by avoiding different uniform requirements for different year/class/house groups.
- avoiding frequent changes to uniform specifications and minimising the financial impact on parents/carers of any changes.
- making sure that arrangements are in place for parents/carers to acquire second-hand uniform items.

Friends of Westfield (the school PTA) also have second-hand uniform available.

See <https://www.pta-events.co.uk/fowp/index.cfm?event=products#.XcRKujP75UK>

Uniform

Please check with the school before purchasing new items if you are in any doubt about the uniform code, as the school's decision is final.

As part of our *Well-Being* approach, every Friday children will be permitted to wear mufti/ non-uniform day (home clothes). These clothes must be clean and suitable for learning, including physical activity. On these days there is still no additional jewellery. A single stud earring in each ear and a watch only is permissible, which must be removed for any PE lessons. Clothes and footwear must be appropriate to being able to run around on the playground and respectable i.e. ***no midriff showing, no ripped clothing/ no ripped jeans, no heels/ slip on shoes/ flip flops***. The school reserves the right to make judgement on the appropriateness of mufti clothes.

Uniform

- White polo shirt for all children. This has been updated from Summer 2024 and therefore children in the Juniors may continue to wear white shirts or blouses, with optional ties for their remaining time at Westfield.
- Grey trousers or school shorts (no leggings), skirt, skorts (shorts that look like a skirt) or pinafore, that must be knee length or longer
- Burgundy logo or plain jumper/cardigan.
- Plain white, grey or black socks that are below the knee/tights.
- Sensible, black enclosed waterproof shoes (Velcro fasteners are ideal for younger children). These must be plain black and flat, but can be plain black trainers or sturdy black shoes. No open-toed shoes, knee high boots (ankle boots are permissible) or slip on shoes are allowed. All shoes must have a back to them.
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Optional Summer Uniform

- Blue & white checked dresses may be worn, that must be knee length or longer.
- Blue and white checked skorts jump suit may also be worn.
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PE & Swimming

On PE days children should come into school in their PE kit.

- Burgundy T-shirt
- Navy/black shorts. Plimsolls. Trainers for games.
- Socks not tights. Drawstring bag for spare kit if required due to weather.
- Plain dark (black or blue) tracksuits (optional).
- An appropriately sized rucksack for swimming gear, to include swimwear- full swim suit for girls and a towel.
- Optional fleece jumper (burgundy, blue or black).

Children who are chosen to represent the school at sporting events (e.g. football match) are provided with a school kit where appropriate.

Book Bags

School book bags should be used to hold equipment and books that go to and from school. Please do not send children with bigger bags as there is no easy storage space.

Water Bottles

Should be brought in daily with fresh water, they may be re-filled in the classroom and accessed throughout the day.

Hair Accessories

All hair bands/ clips/ bows must be in school colours only which are **black, white, blue, burgundy, grey, or matching the school summer dresses.**

Long hair is to be tied back at all times for health and safety reasons, please provide your child with school colour hair ties. Children will be required to remove any hair items that do not conform to the uniform code.

If a hijab is worn to school, it must be plain black, white, blue, burgundy or grey. The hijab should be a fitted item not a loose headscarf for health and safety reasons.

Jewellery

No jewellery should be worn to school, except plain ear studs (a maximum of one in each ear) or watches (no smart watches). However, as these must be removed for PE and swimming in the interest of safety it is desirable that none are worn in school at all. Earrings are particularly dangerous and are forbidden by County Health & Safety guidelines in view of the many serious accidents that have occurred in schools to children wearing such jewellery. We request that piercing take place during the summer holidays to prevent loss of PE lessons.

Electronic devices/ mobile phones

Mobile Phones: Only children in Years 5 & 6 that are walking to and from school are allowed to bring a mobile phone into school. The phone will be kept in the school office for the duration of the school day.

Ipods/smart phones/Smart Watches/Electronic Equipment: these items are not allowed in school. Those in possession of such equipment will be required to leave it in the School Office until the end of the day.

Please note that the school takes no responsibility for these items that children and parents choose to bring onto school property.

Lost Property

Please mark all clothing and personal items such as watches, bags etc., with your child's name so that lost items can be easily returned.

We have lost property boxes on the playground and these are emptied half termly, with non- named clothing and equipment donated to FOW or thrown away.

Purchasing logo uniform

Westfield Primary school jumper and a fleece jacket with the school logo, may be purchased through the school outfitters below, alongside most of the other school uniform if required.

Valentinos

23 - 29 The Broadway
Knaphill

Tel: 01483 473357 or 475051



