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School Uniform Policy

Introduction

At Woore Primary and Nursery School we pride ourselves in being smart, well-presented, and ready for learning. It is our school policy that all children wear school uniform when attending school, or when participating in school-organised events during normal school hours. There may also be times when we request that children wear their uniforms outside of school hours, such as during church services, e.g. at the Christingle service at Christmas.

Some items of uniform (mostly items with the school logo), can be bought from our online school supplier, School Trends <u>https://www.schooltrends.co.uk/uniform/WoorePrimarySchoolCW39SQ</u>, whilst others are easily available, at very competitive prices, at local shops including supermarkets. A complete list of the items needed for school uniform including those for Physical Education and Forest Schools is below.

We allow parents/carers to choose the branded items of uniform form our uniform supplier or unbranded items from local supermarkets/shops at more competitive prices. Some parents/carers may also choose a 'mix and match' approach. We aim to consult with different suppliers of school uniform on a regular basis to ensure we are able to provide best value for money.

The school also has a range of second-hand items which parents/carers can purchase at minimal cost. Items are arranged in the school reception area for parents/carers to view.

Aims and objectives

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

- Promotes a sense of pride in our school
- Helps to create a sense of community and belonging towards the school
- Identifies pupils with the school
- Supports the school's commitment to inclusion

• Prevents pupils from wearing 'fashion clothes' that could be distracting in class and create unnecessary inequalities among pupils

- Is practical, smart, and designed with health and safety in mind
- Is considered to be good value for money

The Role of Parents

We believe that one of the responsibilities of parents is to ensure that their child has the correct uniform, PE kit and Forest School kit, and that it is clean, in good repair and that the child's name is visibly labelled on all items. If a parent has difficulties for any reason with fulfilling this request, they are asked to speak confidentially to a senior member of staff to discuss the issues. Parents should be assured that we will do all we can to help.

It is essential that parents/carers label their child/ren's clothing as we gather a huge amount of lost property over short periods of time, many of which are unlabelled. This makes it impossible to return clothing to the correct owners.

To help with this the Friends of Woore School (FOWS) have teamed up with 'Stickins' labels. Please follow the direct link on our website <u>http://www.woore.org/page/information-for-parents/14138</u>

The school welcomes children from all backgrounds and faith communities. If there are serious reasons, for example on religious grounds, why parents want their child to wear clothes that differ from the school uniform, the Uniform Policy will consider such requests sympathetically. If any parent would like to request an exception to the uniform policy they should, in the first instance, contact the headteacher and then the Governors.

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 with sensitivity. It is the governors' responsibility to ensure that the school uniform meets all regulations concerning equal Monitoring and Review opportunities. Governors ensure that the school uniform policy enables children to dress sensibly, in clothing that is hardwearing, safe and practical.

School Uniform List

- Bottle Green sweatshirt or cardigan *
- Yellow polo shirt *
- Grey trousers/shorts/skirt/pinafore/skort
- Green checked dresses (during the summer months)
- Tights should be bottle green or grey, and socks white, grey, black or green to match uniform
- Only **black** shoes/ankle boots may be worn and **not trainers**. Please ensure footwear is practical, flat footwear rather than heeled footwear is preferred for health and safety reasons.

Items marked with an* indicate embroidered items which can be bought from School Trends Online.

Additional branded items are also available on the School Trends website, such as hats/caps, book bags, back packs, fleeces or coats/storm jackets if you wish to purchase.

P.E. Kit

For days in which your child participates in a P.E lesson, children can come to school in their P.E kit.

Our P.E. Uniform consists of:

- Gold (yellow) T-shirt*
- Black shorts or skort

- Black hoodie*
- Black joggers or leggings (plain-no branding/motifs)
- Trainers will be required for outdoor P.E and sometimes inside. Indoor pumps are not required.

Items marked with an * indicate embroidered items which can be bought from School Trends Online.

Swimming Kit

During our swimming term, children attending lessons will need to have a kit to take to the local swimming pool.

Each child will need:

- Swimming costume or swim shorts (no bikini's please)
- Towel
- Goggles are optional

Water aids are not required as these are provided by the swimming pool as part of the children's lessons.

For those pupils with long hair, please ensure that hair is tied back for safety reasons.

Forest School Kit

During forest school lessons, pupils will be outside in all weathers and will need to bring additional warm layers and over clothing to keep them warm, clean and dry. We suggest that children bring the following items to school in a separate bag:

- Fleece/jumper
- Warm coat
- Waterproofs-Jacket and trousers or all-in-one
- Wellies or walking boots
- Warm hat, scarf, gloves (at colder times of the year)
- Long sleeved tops

Wearing Jewellery

For many reasons, including safety, we do not allow children to wear jewellery. The exceptions to this rule are earring studs in pierced ears. Children are required to remove any items during P.E. lessons to prevent them from causing injury. If ears have been recently pierced, then a covering must be placed over the earring to protect the pupil from injury.

Please note: Teachers are not permitted to remove earrings.

Hair, Make-up and Nail Polish

We would encourage pupils with particularly long hair to tie their hair back whilst at school so that it doesn't become a health and safety risk.

Make-up and nail polish is not permitted, except on special dressing up days or for plays and performances.

Monitoring

This policy will be reviewed at least every two years.