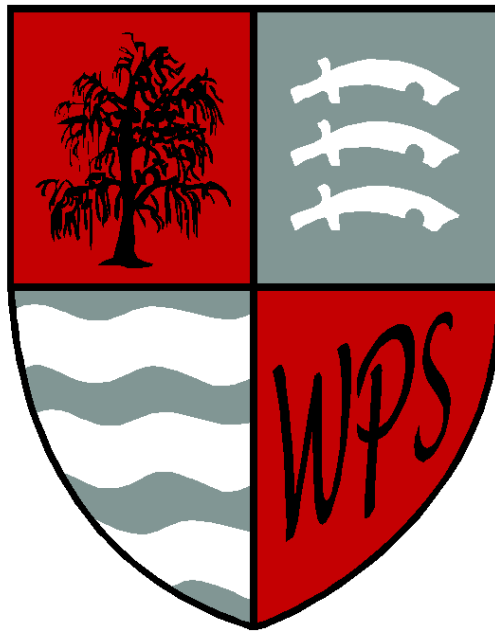


Willowbrook Primary School



School Uniform Policy

At Willowbrook Primary School, we want students to look smart in their school uniform at all times. Appearance is important, both in school and when travelling to and from school. We feel it is important that students have pride in their school and to respect its uniform by wearing it neatly.

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

- Promotes a sense of pride in our school. ***'Look Smart, Think Smart'***.
- Helps to create a sense of community and belonging towards the school
- Identifies the children within the school
- Supports our commitment to inclusion
- Prevents children from wearing 'fashion clothes' that could be distracting in class
- Is practical and smart
- Makes children feel equal to their peers in terms of appearance
- It encourages good self-discipline

The Governors of the school expect all parents to support our uniform policy.

This consists of:

All year groups:
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • red V-necked sweatshirt/sweatshirt cardigan with the Willowbrook logo • flat black shoes of sensible style - no boots, sandals, heels, trainers, logos, or coloured laces • charcoal grey trousers/tailored shorts (boys and girls) • charcoal grey knee length skirt/pinafore dress (girls) • black socks (boys) • white or grey socks/grey, red or black tights (girls) • hair accessories must be red, white, black, or grey • red & white check dresses weather permitting (optional) • red fleece/shower proof school jacket (optional) • red hat (optional)
Reception and Year 1:
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • White polo shirt • KS1, red book bag.
Year 2
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Transition year, ties and collared shirts are optional
Year 3, 4, 5 and 6:
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • School clip on tie • White collared shirt (long or short sleeves) • Red Book bag or their own reasonable sized appropriate school bag.
P.E. kit consists of:
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • White round necked logo T-shirt and red shorts • White socks • Plain black trainers or plimsolls (non-marking) • Black track suit (optional)

Hair:

Any hair colouring should be of a 'natural' colour.

If you are shaving your child's hair the length should be grade 5 minimum on top and a minimum of grade 3 on the sides and back. **Hair should be without words, patterns, lines or emblems. Extremes in difference of length are not allowed.** It is the pupil's/parents' responsibility to ensure their hair is clean and kept in a presentable style.

Accessories should be small and either red, white, black or grey. Large bows are not allowed, even if in keeping with the uniform colours.

Hair below chin-length must be tied back in a neat and tidy fashion.

Jewellery:

Wrist watches may be worn from Year 2 but only for the purpose of telling the time. 'Smart' watches linked to mobile phones and Fitbits are not permitted. One small plain silver or gold stud earring may be worn in each lobe, and these will need to be removed for PE lessons, by the child themselves. Please note children in EYFS (Reception class) **SHOULD NOT** come to school in earrings.

For health and safety reasons we do not allow children to wear jewellery. If children arrive in school wearing jewellery they will be asked to remove it. Staff will not be expected to or allowed to remove any jewellery or studs in pierced ears being worn by a child; this will have to be done by the child him/herself or by a parent/carer. Staff will not, under any circumstances, take any responsibility for the safekeeping of children's jewellery.

Cosmetics:

Make up is not permitted. For obvious safety reasons, false nails are not appropriate for school. Nail varnish, French manicure or nail decoration of any kind is not allowed in school.

These guidelines attempt to create a uniform and appearance that is appropriate for school wear.

We cannot allow slogans, patterns or words to appear in any school uniform or personal appearance.

Parents are advised to consult with the school prior to purchasing any item of uniform or change in personal appearance, which could conflict with the uniform policy.

The Role of Parents/Carers:

We expect parents and carers to support the school uniform policy. Children should come to school in uniform every day unless there are special circumstances such as dressing-up or charity fundraising days or events. Uniform should be kept clean and in good repair. Please label all children's clothing so that if lost, it may be reunited with its owner. Unlabelled, unclaimed uniform may be considered the property of the school and donated, sold or otherwise disposed of.

Pre-loved uniform

We encourage the use of pre-loved items, including clothing items that have the School logo on them. Good condition school uniform items that are no longer required can be donated to the Parent, Teacher and Friends of Willowbrook. These items will be available to purchase for a small amount from regular stalls, set up by the PTFA throughout the year.

Purchase of uniform (Uniform Suppliers):

- Items can be purchased from redoakroller school uniform supplier. They have a shop in Basildon and open every day except for Sunday alternatively you can order online www.redoak-schooluniform.co.uk
- Second hand items are available from the school office
- All items of property should be marked clearly with the child's name
- There is a lost property cupboard in the main school hall

- Items of lost property are kept until the end of each term and then disposed of.

If a child attends school incorrectly dressed:

- a) Replacement items can sometimes be offered to be worn during the school day
- b) A note will be sent home with the child that day, requesting correct uniform be worn, or a reason to be given on an attached reply slip
- c) If no reply or satisfactory reason has been offered a letter from the Headteacher and copy of our uniform policy should be sent home. The offer of second-hand uniform should be made or new provided with school's assistance.
- d) In the event that a parent/carer does not respond the school will telephone to arrange a meeting.

Thank you for your co-operation regarding the school uniform.

WPS Senior Management Team