

# **Uniform Policy**

October 2023

This Policy will be reviewed in 2025

## **Rationale**

Wolviston Primary School pupils wear their uniform with pride. Our uniform shows that we are part of the school community. We have the highest expectations from our children with regards to school uniform and appearance, and strongly believe that our high standards promote positive behaviour, support effective teaching and learning and contribute to the ethos of the school.

It is our policy that all children must have full school uniform, worn correctly, for daily attendance at school. It is expected that uniform will also be worn when pupils are representing the school, including school visits and sporting fixtures, whether or not these are in school hours or away from the school site.

We respect and promote equality and diversity within our school community. Our goal is to create a safe place without prejudice where children have the opportunity to thrive. This policy will support pupils' religious, cultural and societal beliefs.

## **Role of Parents**

We expect all parents who send their children to Wolviston Primary School, to adhere to the school's uniform policy. Acceptance of the academy's uniform policy forms part of our Home-School Agreement. Parents have a duty to send their children to school correctly dressed and ready for their daily schoolwork. Parents should ensure that their child has the correct uniform, and that it is clean and is well presented. The school welcomes children from all backgrounds and faith communities and if there are genuine reasons, for example religious objections, why parents want their child to wear clothes that differ from the school uniform, the school will look sympathetically at such requests. Similarly, should an item of school uniform prove problematic for a child with disabilities then parents are invited to draw this to the attention of the Head Teacher. Any non-compliance with the school's uniform policy will result in a sanction as directed by the Head Teacher.

## **The Role of Governors**

The Governing Body supports the Head Teacher in implementing the school uniform policy. It considers all representations from parents regarding this policy and liaises with the Head Teacher to ensure that the policy is implemented fairly and with sensitivity. The Governors take responsibility to ensure that the school uniform meets all national regulations concerning equal opportunities, and that our school uniform policy is consistent with our policy on equal opportunities. Governors ensure that the school uniform policy helps children to dress sensibly, in clothing that is hard wearing, safe and practical.

## **Uniform**

Uniform can be purchased from Motiv8 school wear our uniform supplier. https://www.motif8.co.uk/schools/primary-schools/wolviston-primary-school.html

All items of uniform **MUST** be clearly labelled with the child's name.

## Early Years Uniform (Nursery and Reception)

- Navy embroidered logo sweatshirt
- Navy joggers or navy leggings
- Black sensible shoes/trainers

### School Uniform Y1-Y6

- White blouse / shirt (not polo shirt)
- Tartan skirt, tartan pinafore dress or grey trousers
- Navy cardigan or V-necked jumper with embroidered school logo.
- Navy/grey socks or navy/grey tights
- Wolviston Primary School tie
- Black sensible shoes (heel no more than 1.5 inches/5cm.)
- No trainers, plimsolls or sand shoes.

#### The following items can be worn in the summer term:

- Navy and white gingham dress
- White short sleeved shirt, navy tank top
- Grey smart shorts (not sports shorts)
- White socks (girls)
- Black sensible shoes (heel no more than 1 inch/3cm)
- No trainers, plimsolls or sand shoes
- Children in KS2 (Y3-Y6) can change from school shoes into trainers at lunchtime. They must be able to change shoes independently.

#### **P.E. Kit**

Uniform can be purchased from Motiv8 school wear our uniform supplier.

#### **Early Years**

Our youngest children in Nursery and Reception do not need to get changed when participating in P.E. activities.

#### Y1-Y6

- Embroidered school logo navy shorts, embroidered school logo navy polo shirt and dark coloured trainers
- For sessions in the colder month's children can wear an outdoor PE kit; this consists of an embroidered school logo navy hoodie and navy tracksuit bottoms

#### **Pre-Loved Uniform**

Given the expense of school uniform and the fact that children grow so quickly, a pre-loved uniform shop has been set up in school. This means that should parents require new uniform items such as ties, jumpers, cardigans and tank tops they can, for a small donation, purchase pre-loved items from the school office. Please ask for more information. Items of uniform which have been gently used are always welcomed into school for recycling.

#### Lost Property

A lost property box is kept in the main corridor. Unclaimed items will be kept until the end of the school year and will be recycled.

#### **Outdoor Wear**

Children are required to wear a coat every day. As we know the weather in Wolviston can be so unpredictable and even on the sunniest of mornings, conditions can quickly change. In harsher weather,

children are of course allowed to wear appropriate seasonal clothing; hats, gloves, wellies/boots etc. but children will be expected to change into their school shoes once in school.

A showerproof fleece, with the embroidered school logo, is optional and available from Motiv8

## **School Bags**

All children will be required to have a Wolviston book bag; a Wolviston rucksack is also available from Motiv8 – this is optional.

## Jewellery

On the grounds of Health and Safety we do not allow children to wear items of jewellery in school e.g. earrings, necklaces, rings, bracelets. Children who inadvertently wear jewellery will be asked to remove it and give it to their teacher for safe keeping until the end of the day. Watches may be worn by the older children (Y3 to Y6), though children will be personally responsible for their care and security. We encourage the wearing of analogue watches, as they provide additional opportunities for children to practise telling the time. Smart watches or fitness tracking devices are not permitted. Watches will need to be removed during P.E. If parents consider it necessary to allow their child to have their ears pierced for the first time we respectfully request that this is done at the start of the six weeks holiday.

## **Cosmetics**

Any type of nail varnish and make-up are not permitted in school.

## <u>Hair</u>

Where it is long enough to do so, all children are expected to tie hair up with a plain hair band or if wearing an 'Alice' style head band these should be narrow and plain in design. Both should be in keeping with the school colours. Large hair ties, clips, bows or other hair embellishments are not allowed. We expect that hair should be neat and tidy with no extremes of style or colour (e.g. tram-lines, patterns or any use of hair colourants or hair dyes). If you are unsure, please check prior to making any changes. Parents should also be aware that streaks of hair colours, braids or excessive use of hair products are not permitted in school.

## **Exceptions**

During recognised school events, such as World Book Day, Comic Relief, children will be able to join in the celebration by wearing costumes, non-uniform items of clothing and appropriate embellishments to enhance their outfit.

## **Monitoring and Review**

When monitoring this policy, the governing body will:

- seek the views of parents, to be sure that they agree with the policy, and support it.
- consider with the Head Teacher any requests from parents for individual children to have special dispensations.
- require the Head Teacher to report to the governors on the way in which the policy is being implemented.