

## **School Uniform Policy**

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### Warren Farm Primary School Uniform Policy

We are particularly proud of how smart our children are at Warren Farm Primary School. They are always excellent ambassadors for the school demonstrating 'Excellence In Everything'. All of the children from Nursery to Year Six wear the same, smart uniform at school. The following uniform guidance is for all pupils in Nursery to Year 6, and is not gender-specific.

In making decisions with regard to school uniforms, we have taken account of uniform guidance from the Department for Education. Fundamentally, no school uniform should be so expensive that it leaves pupils or their families feeling unable to apply to, or attend, a school of their choice due to the cost of the uniform. We will keep costs down by taking steps to remove unnecessary branded items and allowing more high-street options, such as supermarket own-label items to form part of our uniform.

#### Aims

A school uniform provides a sense of belonging for children, enabling them to feel part of a team. As a team - staff, children, families and the community - we will provide *Excellence in Everything - Achieving greatness* that lasts a lifetime.

We believe that it is important for children to have a uniform as it can play a key role in:

- Promoting the ethos of our school
- Providing a sense of belonging and identity
- Setting an appropriate tone for education

#### **Uniform Supplier**

Our uniform is available to purchase in store (and online) from Clive Mark Schoolwear
11-13 Boldmere Road,
Sutton Coldfield
B73 5UY

Website: https://clivemark.co.uk/collections/warren-farm-school

Telephone No: 0121 728 4452 and also from

#### **Trutex Schoolwear & More**

71 High Street, Erdington B23 6SA

Website: https://www.crestedschoolwear.co.uk/product-category/schools/v-z/warren-farm-school/

**Telephone No: 0121 350 8444** 

#### **Uniform options**

- Grey or black skirt, pinafore or long or short tailored trousers;
- Black cardigan or jumper with school logo;
- Yellow short sleeved polo shirt;
- Yellow and white checked summer dress;
- Grey, black or white socks or black or grey tights in cold weather
- Black headscarves



# <u>Please ensure that all clothing is clearly marked with your child's name, so that it can be returned to you in the event that it is misplaced.</u>

The only branded items of school uniform required for your child are a school jumper, meaning parents will be able to buy most uniform items from a wide range of shops. Plain black jumpers or cardigans can also be purchased to supplement branded items. Whilst our branded items do need to be bought from specific shops we will ensure that cost and value for money are given the highest priority when appointing suppliers for these items. Additional branded items such as polo shirts, P.E t-shirts and book bags will be available should you wish to purchase them.

#### **Shoes**

Black - plain (e.g. no flashing lights, multi-coloured or sports branding). See examples below. Please bear in mind that the children wear them at playtimes so they need to be with low heels. Trainers (black or white) are acceptable for outdoor PE, however are **not** appropriate to be worn as school shoes.



Please note: Boots and trainers are not acceptable footwear at Warren Farm.

#### P.E. kit

- Black shorts; cycling short and leggings may only be worn as part of the school P.E kit
- Yellow T-shirt;
- Soft soled plimsolls or trainers;
- Black tracksuit for cold weather/outdoor lessons where required

#### <u>Jewellery</u>

- Pupils are not allowed to wear rings, bracelets or necklaces (unless for religious observance)
- Earrings small studs only to be removed for P.E lessons
- Watches can be worn but must be removed for P.E.
- Smart watches are not permitted to be worn at any time.
- Make up, nail varnish, artificial nails and temporary skin tattoos are not allowed to be worn.
- Long hair to be tied back using simple black or yellow hair bands/accessories

#### **Extreme Haircuts**

- The school does not permit children to have 'extreme' haircuts that could serve as a distraction to other children.
- Coloured and dyed hair acts as a distraction for others and as such is not permitted.

#### Provision of second-hand uniforms

Second-hand uniforms can benefit all parents, particularly those on low incomes. In addition, by extending the life of garments, it is more sustainable. We ensure that arrangements are in place so that second-hand school uniforms are available for parents to acquire. If parents/carers require support with the provision of uniform, they should contact our pastoral team or a member of staff in the main office.

#### Other support with the cost of school uniforms

As a school we provide assistance, particularly for supporting new intakes of pupils starting our school or in the event of substantial changes to the existing uniform.

#### **Complaints**

Disputes about the cost of school uniforms will be resolved locally and should be pursued in accordance with our complaints policy.

#### Pupil non-compliance

Information on managing cases of pupil non-compliance is set out in the guidance on <u>school uniforms</u>. In cases where it is suspected that financial hardship has resulted in a pupil not complying with a school's published uniform policy, we take a mindful and considerate approach to resolve the situation.

#### **Further information**

Relevant legislation includes:

- Education (Guidance about Costs of School Uniforms) Act 2021
- School Information (England) Regulations 2008
- Equality Act 2010
- Education Act 1996 (sections 449 to 462 set out the law on charging for school activities)

#### More information is available on:

- school uniforms
- the Equality Act 2010 advice for schools
- buying for schools
- <u>buying procedures and procurement law for schools</u>
- charging for school activities
- the <u>School Admissions Code</u>