



Uniform Policy

Our uniform policy reflects our school's vision and values to improve as one and reinforces our culture of high expectations. Our school uniform is important to us. It is one way in which we identify ourselves as a school community and it promotes a strong, cohesive identity. All pupils from Foundation Stage 2 through to year 6 must dress according to the uniform policy. Children in our Foundation Stage 1 are not required to wear the school uniform.

What Pupils should wear

School uniform
Burgundy sweatshirt/cardigan with school logo
White collared shirt or polo shirt
Black skirt/pinafore dress/trousers/shorts (no leggings)
Black socks/tights
Black shoes (no boots, trainers or sandals)
For the Summer – Optional red & white gingham dress and white socks
A bookbag or backpack - The Friends of Winchcombe provide a bookbag for each new intake of Foundation children
PE Kit
Burgundy T-Shirt with school logo
Plain black sports shorts/leggings (non-branded)
For Winter – Plain black tracksuit bottoms or plain black sports trousers (non-branded), burgundy sweatshirt with school logo
Plimsolls/trainers

Footwear

Pupils must wear closed-toed, hard-soled, all black plain shoes with a flat sole. Footwear with flashing lights and boots are not allowed. Open-toed shoes or sandals should not be worn, even in the summer term. In the case of extreme weather, children can wear boots/wellingtons to school but must change into a pair of school shoes on arrival to school.

Pupils can wear trainers or black plimsolls for outdoor PE lessons. Barefoot work is undertaken for indoor gymnastic and dance lessons.

Pupils in Key Stage 1 and 2 can change into trainers for break times when using the MUGA or Field.

For younger pupils, parents are kindly asked to buy shoes without laces and plimsolls for PE.

Outdoor clothing

Pupils should bring a coat to school each day, apart from during the hotter weather. Hats, scarves and wellingtons should not be worn inside the school buildings. Sun hats can be worn outside during the hotter summer months.

Hairstyles

Pupils' hair should be tidy at all times. Long hair should be tied back. Pupils may not have designs or words cut into their hair or permanent or temporary coloured hair. School-themed hair bands or clips are acceptable but hair bows are not permitted.

Nail Polish, Make-up and temporary tattoos

Pupils are not allowed to wear nail polish, false nails, make-up or temporary tattoos.

Jewellery/Accessories

Pupils may wear a watch (with no sound effects, cameras or games) and may wear one pair of small, stud earrings which must be worn in the lower ear lobe. All studs must be removed for PE by the pupil or taken out at home. Stud earrings that cannot be removed by the pupil for PE lessons will be covered with a plaster or tape. Please note that the school will be unable to take any responsibility for any watches or jewellery that are lost.

Naming Clothing and Property

Please ensure all clothing and property is clearly named so that lost articles may be easily traced and returned. The school cannot accept responsibility for loss of or damage to pupils' property and valuables. Printed name labels can be ordered from the school's uniform supplier. Please check items are still clearly named after washing.

Lost Property

All mislaid items are placed in lost property. Please ask the school office if you wish to look through this. We endeavour to return all named property. All unclaimed items of uniform will be placed on display outside the school office during the last week of each half term.

Equal Opportunities

All children have equal access to wearing school uniform regardless of their culture, race, religion, gender, disability or ability. Minor adjustments to the standard school uniform should be discussed with the Headteacher in the first instance.

Non-compliance with the Uniform Policy

It is the responsibility of all staff to ensure that the school uniform policy is adhered to. Parents and carers of pupils that do not wear the correct uniform will be contacted. We ask parents and carers to support all decisions by school staff regarding whether or not clothing is appropriate or inappropriate for school. Any child who does not come to school in the correct uniform will be provided with uniform by the school to wear for the duration of the day.

There may be good reasons why a pupil is not wearing school uniform. In this case, parents and carers should share the reasons with the class teacher either in person, by letter or email. The school will always be considerate and discrete in trying to establish why a pupil is not wearing the correct uniform. Pupils will not be made to feel uncomfortable, nor discriminated against, because parents are unable to provide them with the required items of school uniform. In line with our vision, we encourage discussion with the school at the earliest opportunity if there are any difficulties.

There will be occasions when the school decides that school uniform is not appropriate e.g. when taking part in a physical activity day, wearing different clothes as a part of a fundraising event or a curriculum enrichment activity. Parents and carers will be notified in advance of the revised dress code on these days.

School Uniform Supplier

Our school uniform supplier is Skoolkit, Kennet Centre, Newbury. All items with the School Logo are available online from www.skoolkit.co.uk (previously the Trutex shop). School trousers, shorts, skirts, pinafore dresses, shirts and polo shirts can be purchased from high street stores or school shops.

The Friends of The Winchcombe School

Pre-loved outgrown uniform can be donated to The Friends of Winchcombe via the school office to be sold on for a donation to the school. You can request items by emailing the Friends of Winchcombe at winchcombefriends@gmail.com.