William Murdoch Primary School



School Uniform Policy

Approved by: Governing Body **Date:** October 2022

Last reviewed on:

Next review due by: October 2023

William Murdoch pupils are ambassadors of the school. We believe our uniform fosters a sense of belonging, pride and identity. It sets high standards for pupils and makes an important contribution to a positive and purposeful working environment. We ask that parents/carers support us with the Uniform Policy and ensure pupils come to school with smart, clean uniform every day.

Our school has a duty to make sure that the uniform we require is affordable, in line with statutory <u>guidance</u> from the Department for Education on the cost of school uniform.

We understand that items with distinctive characteristics (such as branded items, or items that have to have a school logo or a unique fabric/colour/design) cannot be purchased from a wide range of retailers and that requiring many such items limits parents' ability to 'shop around' for a low price.

A high standard of dress is expected at all times. The school does not support fashion trends or any articles of clothing/hair styles, which may give cause for concern especially on health and safety grounds.

We will make sure our uniform:

- Is available at a reasonable cost
- Provides the best value for money for parents/carers

We will do this by:

 Avoiding frequent changes to uniform specifications and minimising the financial impact on parents of any changes

The following uniform should be worn depending on which year group a pupil is in:

NURSERY

Navy and gold sweatshirt (with school logo) White polo shirt (with school logo) Navy jogging bottoms Black shoes

RECEPTION

Navy and gold sweatshirt (with school logo) White polo shirt (with school logo) Charcoal grey trousers/skirt Black shoes

YEARS 1 & 2

Navy and gold jumper/cardigan (with school logo)

White shirt (long-sleeved/short-sleeved in summer if preferred)

School tie

Charcoal grey trousers/skirt

Black/grey/navy socks or tights

Black shoes

YEARS 3 TO 6

Navy blazer (with school logo)

Navy and gold jumper/cardigan (with school logo)

White shirt (long-sleeved/short-sleeved in summer if preferred)

School tie

Charcoal grey trousers/skirt

Black/grey/navy socks or tights

Black shoes

PE KIT (Reception to Year 6)

Navy and gold polo shirt

Navy and gold shorts

Navy and gold hoody

Navy and gold track pants

Trainers

Pumps (for indoor use only)

SWIMMING KIT

Boys- trunks (that do not reach below the knee)

Girls- one-piece costume, swimming cap (polyester swimming tights may be worn)

Towel

Goggles (if required)

SCHOOL UNIFORM SUPPLIER

The school uniform supplier is: Gogna School Wear & Sports

Address: 67/69 Rookery Road

Handsworth Birmingham B21 9QU

Website: https://www.gogna.me/

Telephone: 0121 523 5572

Email Address: info@gognaschoolwear.co.uk

Gogna School Wear & Sports Opening Hours

Monday to Saturday 9.00am - 6.00pmSunday 12.00pm - 3.00pm

SCHOOL BAGS

Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 pupils should have a black book bag with the school logo on, which can be purchased from the Main Office at a cost of £5. A black drawstring bag with the school logo on for PE and swimming can also be purchased from the school office at a cost of £3.

A black rucksack with the school logo on can be purchased for **Upper School** pupils from the Main Office at a cost of £8. A black drawstring bag with the school logo on for PE and swimming can also be purchased from the Main Office at a cost of £3.

JEWELLERY

For Health & Safety reasons only small stud earrings can be worn. Pupils must be able to remove any jewellery they wear themselves as they will be asked to do so for PE and Swimming lessons. Other items of jewellery such as rings, necklaces and hair beads should not be worn. If a pupil wears any items of jewellery on religious grounds, this should be discussed with school in order that health and safety is maintained for all.

FOOTWEAR

We understand the challenges parents face in wanting to purchase the correct footwear which adheres to the school uniform code. We have tried to help you by producing the visual guide below:





TIPS FOR WEARING UNIFORM CORRECTLY

- Caps are permitted, however must not be worn inside any of the school buildings
- Only natural colours should be used to dye hair
- No extreme hairstyles i.e. shaven heads with tramlines, Mohicans etc.
- Pupils with hair longer than shoulder length should bring a bobble to school to tie back hair during practical lessons
- Plain black or navy hairbands only
- Small plain studs, no larger than a whole punch one in each lobe
- No facial or body piercings permitted
- No make-up to be worn
- White shirt or blouse, top button done up and shirt tucked in
- No bracelets allowed
- No false or acrylic nails
- Nail varnish must not be worn
- School coats should be plain. Hoodies or tracksuit tops are not allowed to be worn in school

PARENTS AND CARERS

Parents and carers are expected to make sure their child has the correct uniform and PE kit, and that every item is:

- Clean
- Clearly labelled with the child's name as the school cannot be held responsible for missing items.
- In good condition

STAFF

Staff will closely monitor pupils to make sure they are in correct uniform. They will give any pupils and families breaching the uniform policy the opportunity to comply, but will follow up with the Headteacher if the situation doesn't improve.

In cases where it is suspected that financial hardship has resulted in a pupil not complying with this uniform policy, staff will take a mindful and considerate approach to resolving the situation.

GOVERNORS

The governing board will review this policy and make sure that it:

- Is appropriate for our school's context
- Is implemented fairly across the school
- Takes into account the views of parents and pupils
- Offers a uniform that is appropriate, practical and safe for all pupils

The board will also make sure that the school's uniform supplier arrangements give the highest priority to cost and value for money, for example by re-tendering contracts at least every 5 years.

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