



Lawn Primary School

Uniform Policy 2024-25

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SCHOOL UNIFORM

1. Introduction

It is our school policy that all children wear school uniform when attending school, or when participating in a school-organised event outside normal school hours. We provide a complete list of the items needed for school uniform in our school Welcome Booklet and on our school website.

2. Aims and objectives

Our policy on school uniform is based on the notion that school uniform:

- promotes a sense of pride in the school
- creates a sense of community and belonging towards the school
- is practical and smart
- identifies the children with the school
- prevents children from coming to school in fashion clothes that could be distracting in class
- makes children feel equal to their peers in terms of appearance
- is designed with health and safety in mind.

3. Jewellery

On health and safety grounds we do not allow children to wear jewelry in our school. The exceptions to this rule are:

- ear-ring studs in pierced ears
- small objects of religious significance, such as a crucifix on a chain or Sikh Kara
- Watch (not I-phone watch or any similar product)

We ask the children to remove these objects during PE, games and swimming for health and safety reasons.

The school advises parents who wish their children to have their ears pierced to do so at the beginning of the school holidays. If earrings cannot be removed as they have been recently pierced, they must be taped for PE. Tape is to be provided by the parent/carer. All jewellery must be removed for swimming, tapping is not allowed due to Health & Safety.

Medical identification bracelets may be worn by children who have significant medical problems e.g. Diabetes or epilepsy.

4. Extreme haircuts

The school does not allow children to have 'extreme' haircuts e.g. tramlines, extreme patterns, or dyed hair. 'Holiday' hair braiding or additional clips of coloured hair are not permitted. Pupils may wear a discrete hairband, bobble and clips in green, black and/or white.

5. Footwear

Footwear needs to be smart and also practical. Pupils should wear smart black school shoes with no 'flashes' or obvious name branding. Trainers are not allowed.

In winter time, sturdy black shoes or black boots may be worn. Children will also be required to have a pair of sturdy boots or wellingtons for Forest School activities.

6. The School Uniform

Winter Uniform:

- Black skirt, trousers or pinafore
- White collared shirt (to fit a tie so we advise not frilled)
- Lawn silver and green tie
- Green sweatshirt or cardigan with Lawn logo
- Green or black hijab or scarf
- Black school shoes or boots – no flashing lights, heals, Ugg style or trainers
- Black or white socks
- Black tights (not leggings)

Summer Uniform:

Children may also wear the below items in warmer weather (usually April to end of September) The school will inform parents and carers if children can attend school without a tie due to high temperatures.

- Black shorts
- Green and white check dress

PE Kit:

- Plain black hoodie or the plain colour of your house team.
- Plain coloured t-shirt of your house team
- PE pumps or trainers – we advise trainers for all outdoor PE
- Plain black jogging bottoms for outdoor PE
- Plain black shorts in warmer weather and indoor PE.

Earrings must be removed by parents on PE days.

Uniform Providers:

The Lawn School uniform can be purchased from the following providers:

- Schoolwear Solutions; Morleys Schoolwear, Chaddesden, DE21 6PE
- Uniformality
- Just School Wear
- My Clothing.com

Labelling clothes:

We encourage the children at Lawn to take care of their clothes, but sometimes things get lost! It can get very upsetting when clothing is lost. To try and prevent this from happening, please ensure you label all items of clothing with your child's name. Lost property is kept in school for a half term, after which unclaimed items are given to charity.

Cost of uniform:

The following items of school uniform can be purchased from the school Office:

- Book bags
- PE bags
- Tie

All items are sold at cost price – school does not make a profit on uniform sold.

Second-hand uniforms.

Dependent upon donations, we resell branded second-hand uniforms through the PTFA. The rail is available on request through the office and also on set dates sent to parents in advance. The items are of very high quality.

Non-branded uniform can be bought from most supermarkets.

Forest School

All children partake in Forest School sessions over the year. Children will need:

- Sturdy boots or wellingtons
- Old clothes (they will get dirty!)
- Layers in colder temperatures
- Hat/cap weather dependent
- Gloves
- Coat or waterproof dependent on the weather (they will get dirty!)

7. Expectations for our school community**7.1 Pupils**

Pupils are expected to wear the correct uniform at all times (other than specified non-school uniform days) while:

- On the school premises
- Travelling to and from school
- At out-of-school events or on trips that are organised by the school, or where they are representing the school (if required)

7.2 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
- In good condition and well fitting

Parents are also expected to contact the Head Teacher if they want to request an amendment to the uniform policy in relation to:

- Their child's protected characteristics
- Financial implications

We believe that parents have a duty to send their children to school correctly dressed and ready for their daily schoolwork.

7.3 Staff

Class teachers will closely monitor pupils to make sure they are in correct uniform. If a child is not wearing the correct uniform, they will speak to the parent directly about this as well as giving the child a gentle reminder. They will give any pupils and families breaching the uniform policy the opportunity to comply, but will follow up with the phase leader if the situation does not 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.

7.4 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
- Meets all regulations concerning equal opportunities.

The board will also make sure that the school's uniform supplier arrangements give the highest priority to cost and value for money.