



THE FOREST FAMILY

School Uniform Expectations



Our expectations are that all children should wear clothing that is in keeping with a purposeful learning ethos. Our expectations are based on the belief that a school uniform:

- promotes a sense of pride in our school
- engenders a feeling of belonging
- is practical and distinctive
- looks smart and clean
- identifies the children with the school
- is not distracting in class (as fashion clothing might be)
- makes children feel equal to one another in terms of appearance and supports their wellbeing
- reflects the sense both of community and of diversity that our schools take pride in

We would ideally like all children to have at least one sweater / cardigan with the school logo, as this ensures all children look smart and equal to one another. If you have any problems obtaining a sweater / cardigan with a logo, please contact the school as we have access to uniform with a logo that is in excellent condition. Families are still able purchase uniform from other providers, such as supermarkets.

	Needwood Our school colour is bottle green	All Saints Our school colour is red
Uniform	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • White blouse/shirt or white polo shirt, • Bottle green sweatshirt / cardigan (ideally with school logo) • Grey or black trousers / shorts / skirt / pinafore or green checked gingham dress for Summer, <i>Skirt/dresses must be no shorter than 1 inch above the knee.</i> • White, grey or black socks, • Plain tights may be worn - opaque tights are preferred (green / black / grey), • Shoes should be low, black flat-heeled for safety and fasten securely. Shoes should always be full (no sandals). Velcro or magnetic fastenings are preferable to laces for younger children. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • White blouse/shirt or white polo shirt, • Red sweatshirt / cardigan (ideally with school logo) • Grey or black trousers / shorts / skirt / pinafore or red checked gingham dress for Summer, <i>Skirt/dresses must be no shorter than 1 inch above the knee.</i> • White, grey, black or red socks, • Plain tights may be worn - opaque tights are preferred (red/black/grey), • Shoes should be low, black flat-heeled for safety and fasten securely. Shoes should always be full (no sandals). Velcro or magnetic fastenings are preferable to laces for younger children.
PE / games / swimming Kit All PE kits should be free from any brand logo or name	<p>Indoor:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • White T-shirt, • Bottle green shorts, • change of socks, <p>Outdoor:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • white T-shirt/polo shirt, • bottle green shorts, • trainers, • Black tracksuits may be worn at appropriate times. <p>KS2 Swimming</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Swimming trunks or one-piece costume should be worn, • Swimming caps must be worn by all children, • Items should be in a named waterproof bag. 	<p>Indoor:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Red T-shirt, • Black shorts, • change of socks, <p>Outdoor:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • red T-shirt/polo shirt, • black shorts, • trainers, • Black tracksuits may be worn at appropriate times. <p>KS2 Swimming</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Swimming trunks or one-piece costume should be worn, • Swimming caps must be worn by all children, • Items should be in a named waterproof bag.

You can buy a sweatshirt, jumper or cardigan, reversible coat and book bag with the school logo on through our providers outlined below.

Hair

Boys and girls hair which is below the collar line must be tied back at all times. It is to be of an appropriate colour and style. Children should not have 'tramlines' or other extreme styles when coming to school.

Hair bands and scrunchies should be either white, black, grey or red at All Saints and bottle green at Needwood.

Jewellery and Headwear

On health and safety grounds, we do not allow children to wear jewellery to school (except for small studs and watches). We do not allow headwear to be worn during class time or inside school buildings, except for religious or medical reasons.

All jewellery must be removed (by pupils themselves, excluding where a clear case for religious or cultural reasons is made) for PE including earrings.

Make up, Nail varnish and temporary tattoos

Children are not permitted to wear makeup, nail varnish and nail extensions or temporary tattoos.

All clothing should be clearly labelled with your child's name. This is especially important, as uniform items look similar and can easily be confused for another child's. Our schools cannot accept responsibility for any lost items. **If an item of uniform is named it will always be returned to the child!**

Uniform Providers

Uniform and accessories with the school logo can be ordered from the following providers at competitive prices. **However**, please contact the school if obtaining logoed uniform is a challenge for your circumstances. The school does retain some logoed uniform.

Needwood

WB Schoolwear www.wbschoolwear.co.uk or www.wbglobaltrading.co.uk

School Trends www.schooltrends.co.uk

All Saints

WB Schoolwear www.wbschoolwear.co.uk or www.wbglobaltrading.co.uk

My Clothing
www.myclothing.com

School Trends www.schooltrends.co.uk

Non Compliance

Opportunities to rectify uniform (for example, in the event of ill-fitting shoes) will be provided, but parents must make the effort to rectify any issues as soon as possible.

Equalities

All children have equal access to wearing school uniform regardless of their culture, race, religion, gender, disability or ability. The Forest Family gives high priority to cost considerations and indeed offers the opportunity for families to buy competitively priced uniform from a variety of providers, and have outlined additional ways to obtain logoed uniform that supports all families. Families are still able purchase uniform from other providers, such as supermarkets.

Governors will consider reasonable requests for flexibility in the uniform expectations for an individual pupil to accommodate particular social and cultural circumstances. The Forest Federation is committed to creating a positive climate that will enable everyone to work free from racial intimidation and harassment and to achieve their full potential.

Complaints and challenges to school uniform expectations

Disputes about The Forest Family school's uniforms are pursued in accordance with the JTMAT compliments and complaints policy.

Role of the Class Teachers and Support Staff

- To set a good example in terms of dress. (See staff code of conduct).
- To monitor uniform compliance and remind children of uniform expectation.
- To speak to children who do not wear the correct uniform, encourage compliance and provide opportunity for alterations to be made.
- To speak to the parents of children who, after being spoken to do not have the correct uniform / appearance.
- To refer to senior leaders if changes are not occurring.

Role of the Senior leadership team

- To set a good example in terms of dress (See staff code of conduct).
- To enforce the school uniform throughout the school communities, as part of the duty within maintenance of day to day discipline in the school.
- To monitor uniform compliance and remind children of uniform expectation.
- To ensure that pupils comply with the uniform expectations agreed by the governing body.
- Speak to the parents of children who persistently do not wear the correct uniform.

Role of the Parents/Guardians

- To ensure that their child / children adhere to the school's uniform expectations.
- Ensure that they come to school in uniform everyday unless there are special circumstances such as non-uniform days.
- To ensure in the event of noncompliance, contact is made with school to explain why.
- To ensure that all uniform is labelled correctly and clearly.