



# The Weston Federation

## Uniform Policy

### Introduction

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

### Aims and Objectives

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

- promotes a sense of pride in the school;
- promotes a feeling of community and belonging;
- is practical and smart;
- identifies the children within the school;
- is not distracting in class (as fashion clothes might be);
- makes children feel equal to their peers in terms of their appearance;
- is regarded as suitable, and good value for money, by most parents;
- has been designed with health and safety in mind.

### Jewellery

On health and safety grounds we do not allow children to wear jewellery in school. The exception to this is stud earrings in pierced ears. We ask that parents remove earrings before school on their allocated day for P.E. and games.

### Hair

The school does not permit children to have haircuts that could serve as a distraction to other children. Extreme hairstyles are unacceptable e.g coloured, patterned etc. Sensible, plain headbands, ideally in school colours may be worn. Bows must be small and again preferably in the school colours. **No bandanas are to be worn.**

## **Footwear**

The school wants all children to grow into healthy adults. We believe that it is dangerous for children to wear shoes with platform soles or high heels in school, so we do not allow these. Neither do we allow children to wear trainers to school; these are appropriate for sport or as leisurewear, but are not in keeping with the smart appearance of a school uniform. School shoes must be black in colour.

Please note that in the cold weather boots may be worn to school but children **MUST** bring a change of footwear to be worn during the school day.

## **The role of parents**

We ask that all parents who send their children to our school for their support of the school uniform policy. We believe that parents have a duty to send their children to school correctly dressed and ready for their daily schoolwork. Parents should ensure that their child has the correct uniform.

The school welcomes children from all backgrounds and faith communities. If there are serious reasons, for example religious objections, why parents want their child to wear clothes that differ from the school uniform the school will look sympathetically at their requests. Similarly, should an item of the school uniform prove problematic for a pupil with disabilities then parents are invited to draw this to the attention of the Principal.

## **The role of governors**

The governing body supports the schools in the Weston Federation in the implementing the school uniform policy. It considers all representations from parents regarding this policy, and takes into account national regulations concerning equal opportunities. In doing so we ensure our school uniform policy is consistent with the policy on equal opportunities. Governors ensure that the school uniform policy helps children to dress sensibly and smartly in clothing that is hardwearing, safe and practical.

## **School Uniform –Weston Infant Academy**

Navy sweatshirt or cardigan with gold edging and the school logo

Gold polo shirt with logo

Grey skirt/ grey pinafore dress/ grey trousers

Grey tights or white, black or grey socks

Black shoes

**Summer Uniform**

Blue and white check dress/ grey skirt/ grey pinafore dress

Navy sweatshirt or cardigan with logo

Grey trousers/ shorts

Gold polo shirt with logo

**P.E. Kit**

White T- shirt

Black shorts

Black pumps

**School Uniform –Weston Junior Academy**

Navy sweatshirt or cardigan with gold edging and the school logo

White shirt/blouse

School tie

Grey skirt/ grey trousers

Grey tights or white, black or grey socks

Black shoes

**Summer Uniform**

Blue and white check dress (optional)

**P.E. Kit**

Navy sweatshirt

White polo shirt (logo optional)

Black shorts

Black pumps

## **Swimming**

At the Junior Academy, children who go swimming will need a swimming cap, swimming trunks or a swimming costume. **No bikinis or tankinis.**