



# All Souls School Uniform Policy and Expectations

Updated: October 2024

## Winter Uniform

(Wearable all year round)

Girls: White cotton shirt School tie Navy Sweatshirt/cardigan with school logo Navy fleece with school logo (optional) Charcoal grey skirt/pinafore/trousers Black/grey woollen tights

#### Boys:

White cotton shirt <u>School tie</u> <u>Navy sweatshirt with school logo</u> <u>Navy fleece with school logo (optional)</u> Charcoal grey trousers/shorts Black shoes not trainers

#### Summer Uniform

(Wearable during warmer months – typically from Easter-October half-term)

**Girls:** Blue check summer dress/playsuit <u>Navy cardigan with school logo</u> White ankle/knee length socks Black closed toe shoes

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Boys:

White polo shirt <u>Navy sweatshirt with school logo</u> Charcoal grey shorts/trousers Black shoes not trainers

The expectation is that sweatshirts, cardigans and the optional fleece have the school logo on them. If you opt for your child not to wear the summer uniform, they will be expected to wear their shirt and tie.

#### <u>PE Kit</u>

(Required all year)

Indoor: Blue PE T-shirt with school logo Navy shorts Black pumps (Reception) Trainers (Years 1-6)

#### Outdoor:

<u>School Tracksuit</u> (Years 1 – 6 only) Trainers

#### **Stockists**

(All items <u>underlined</u> can only be purchased from our dedicated stockist below)

Clive Mark Schoolwear 88-90 Barker Butts Lane, Coventry. CV6 1DY coundon.office@clivemark.co.uk 02476 589080

(All other items can be purchased from a stockiest of your choice e.g. supermarkets, high street clothing retailers)

When purchasing footwear, please consider that your child will need to remove and put these on independently and that if you purchase laced shoes, they may need support in learning to tie these correctly. Please also consider the appropriateness of chosen school shoes for the time of year. Many cheap pairs of footwear available today are not robustly constructed and not suitably protective for the winter months.

Please ensure that all items of clothing are labelled with your child's name.

The school welcomes donations of quality used school uniform and holds a termly used clothing event where parents help themselves to items in order to reduce the financial burden and support the school's drive on sustainability.

### **Coats and Outer layers**

The school has no specific expectations around coats and outer layers. We do, however, expect all children, during the colder months or during periods of wet weather, to have an outer layer which will keep them warm and/or dry with them in school each day. Spending time outdoors, throughout the year is important and also forms parts of the curriculum for many subjects. We aim to use the outdoor space in all but the most inclement weather. At their discretion, school staff may not permit children without appropriate outer layers to go outside if they feel that children are not adequately protected from the weather. School does not provide spare items for this purpose. Parents should refrain from purchasing expensive / designer items of outer wear and should ensure that functionality is the greatest consideration when making purchases.

#### Winter and Summer items

During the colder months, children may bring into school warm hats, scarves and gloves to be worn at break and lunch times. In these instances, parents should refrain from purchasing expensive items and ensure that all items are clearly labelled with children's names. Parents should also consider their child's ability to manage these items when choosing to purchase them as teachers are unable to oversee the careful storage of 30 sets of hats scarves and gloves each break/lunchtime.

In the summer months, it is recommended that children bring a hat or cap capable of protecting them from the sun into school which can be worn during prolonged periods outside. Again these should be adequately labelled and not expensive or precious items. The school also permits the wearing of sunglasses during sunny periods. The school does not accept responsibility for these items, however, so again and recommend that they are inexpensive.

During the summer months children should arrive at school with sun protection applied. Children may also bring appropriate sun lotion to school to apply themselves as necessary throughout the day. Staff are unable to apply sun lotion to children directly but will, if manageable, oversee children applying it themselves.

#### Water bottles

The school recommends that all children arrive at school with a water bottle each day. This should be filled with water and can be refilled / topped up during the day, at the discretion of school staff, using the designated water-cooling stations in school. Water bottles should be plastic or metal (not glass), ideally no larger than 0.7 litres and be labelled with children's names. We recognise the importance of children remaining hydrated and that, whilst water is the best and most healthy way to achieve this, a small number of children will not drink water. Therefore, with prior communication and agreement with class teachers, children may bring a water bottle containing juice/squash which has been heavily diluted to be near colourless.

#### Jewellery, Hair and Make-up

The wearing of any jewellery is not recommended as it may be required to be removed for some PE or curriculum activities. The school does, however, permit the wearing of a single pair of stud earrings, wrist watches and basic fitness trackers (not smart watches or internet enabled fitness trackers), and cross/crucifix pendants. Other jewellery, unless agreed by the headteacher, should not be worn for school. Please note that the school will accept no responsibility for the loss or damage to jewellery brought into school and designer, expensive or items of special individual significance should not be worn for school.

Where children have long hair, this should be tied back or clipped back away so that it does not cover the face. Children may wear simple, plain bands, elastics or clips in order to tie hair back. Fashion or brightly coloured hair accessories should not be worn for school.

Make-up, including nail polish, should not be worn for school.

#### **Bags, stationary and other items**

Children generally do not need to bring many items into school and whilst they will need a bag for the transportation and storage of their PE kit and reading book/record, this could be as simple as a carrier bag and need not be expensive or elaborate. Like other items of uniform, the school recommends that bags are labelled with children's names.

Children are not required to bring stationary items into school and teachers expect pupils to use pencils and pens provided by school in order to complete work. All equipment which children are expected to use are provided by the school. Children therefore do not need pencil cases or other items for school and should not bring these in as they can become an unnecessary distraction, take up valuable desk space and become objects of desire for others.

#### Mobile phones and other electronic devices

Electronic devices including mobile phones and other Internet enabled devices should not be brought into school. The exception to this is for pupils in Year 6 who, following submitting a 'Consent to walk to / from school unaccompanied' form and having this signed by the headteacher, may bring to school their mobile phone. In this instance, upon arriving at school, children should hand their phone in at the office, where it will be stored securely during the day, and collect it again as they leave at the end of the school day.