

Uniform Policy

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As part of our policy and ethos, every child should wear their school uniform and PE kit. We believe the benefits wearing school uniform provides include:

- Creating a sense of identity for the school
- Establishing a sense of community and belonging
- Giving students a sense of pride and instilling confidence
- Creating a non-distracting environment for learning.

School uniform requirements will be published on the school website in order that parents, carers and students are aware of these before expressing their preference for choice of school.

Regular reminders about the uniform will be communicated to parents, carers and students through letters and social media. All uniform should be clearly marked with the student's name.

We regularly review our school uniforms to ensure they are as cost-effective as possible and we limit the amount of compulsory 'branded' items. Financial assistance for families entitled to claim free school meals may be available and enquiries should be made through the relevant school.

Please note that if a shop sells articles of clothing/trainers in its school section this may not mean that those items comply with our school uniform policy. If you have a question regarding uniform or your child is considering a change to their hairstyle or a piercing, please contact your child's Teacher for guidance.

As part of our ethos to have an eco-friendly school, 'pre-loved', second hand uniform is available for all families. Please contact the relevant school office for further information.

Students will be expected to be dressed in correct school uniform at all times throughout the school day, including on the journey to and from school.

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Our school uniform is available from The Sporting Duchess, South Street, Wellington Tel: 01823 662120 and from South West Schoolwear, 144B East Reach, Taunton TA1 3HT.

Email: <u>taunton@swschoolwear.co.uk</u> Tel: 01823 278080. Uniform can be ordered online at <u>www.swschoolwear.co.uk</u>

Uniform

- Maroon sweatshirt, jumper, cardigan (with fleece as optional)
- White shirt or white polo shirt
- Grey trousers, skirt, pinafore dress or shorts
- Pink and white summer dress (optional in the summer months)
- Sensible black shoes (not boots or sandals)
- White or grey socks or grey tights

It is also useful to have an apron or old shirt to wear for art/craft activities.

Nail varnish is not allowed.

We do not allow colouring or cut-in patterns on hair.

For swimming and PE, all long hair must be tied back.



P.E.

Your child requires a pair of plimsolls, a plain maroon T-shirt with a WP logo* and a pair of black shorts for games. A bag is also needed in which to keep this kit. During the colder months, a dark-coloured tracksuit for outside P.E. is very useful.

*Children are organised into House teams whilst at Wellesley Park; MENDIP (Red), BLACKDOWN (Blue), QUANTOCK (Green) and EXMOOR (Yellow). Each child will wear their House coloured band when playing House team games. Children will wear their P.E kit to school on their allocated P.E Day for the whole day.

Forest School / Outdoor Learning

Your child will require warm, old clothing that you do not mind them getting wet and muddy. They will also need waterproof coats, gloves and hats in the colder months, wellies or old trainers.

Jewellery

In the interests of health and safety, no jewellery should be worn to school.

Studs or sleepers may be worn provided they are removed or covered with tape for P.E. Please provide your child with tape with which to do this.

We cannot accept responsibility for any losses e.g. watches. If it is valuable or precious, please keep it at home.

Additional recommended items:

School logo book bag Raincoat Summer hat

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