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Introduction

All pupils attending Westfields Infant School are expected to wear full school uniform. A good, clean, smart appearance is an asset to each pupil, and the school seeks parental support via the Home School Partnership Agreement in the maintenance of such an appearance. We believe that wearing our uniform and taking pride in appearance contributes to a sense of community belonging and equality as well as supports a positive learning ethos and reduces expenditure for parents. We are proud of our uniform and the smart appearance of our pupils which is often praised by visitors and our wider community.

1. Aims

- All children wear the correct uniform to school
- Children feel proud to belong to our school
- Parents share the expectations of our school

2. Guidelines

- It is expected that children wear the school uniform each day, with the appropriate footwear.
- The school provides parents with full details of the uniform to be worn (see below). Most items
 of uniform can be purchased from a local shop or online but items with our school logo are only
 available from the School Office.
- If a child does not wear the correct uniform, a verbal or written reminder of our expectations will be communicated to the parents (see consequences below and Appendix 1).
- If a child arrives at school wearing inappropriate clothing which causes concern (e.g. does not conform with our uniform policy, is unsuitable for the weather, is too revealing, etc) then the school will provide uniform for the child to wear for the day.
- PE kit should be kept in school all week and only taken home at the end of a week for washing (if it is necessary). If a child does not have their PE kit in school, a verbal or written reminder is sent home to the parents.
- Parents are asked to clearly label every item of school clothing with their child's name. The children are responsible for taking care of their own items of uniform.
- Lost property boxes are located in the Year R and KS1 corridors. Any items left unclaimed are periodically disposed of.
- If there is any reason why a child cannot wear our uniform or requires special dispensation (e.g. health or religious grounds or exceptional circumstances) then the class teacher will consider sympathetically any such request from a parent. They may seek clarification from a member of the Senior Leadership Team if necessary.

3. Uniform List:

At Westfields Infant School, we are committed to equality and diversity in all our activities for everyone. We do not discriminate on the grounds of the way people look or because of their appearance. We respect and value differences in race and ethnic origin, gender, disability, mental health, sexual orientation, age, religion and belief, additional learning, economic and social background.

Suitable black shoes (not trainers) with a closed toe and without adornments

White, black or grey socks (not trainer liners)

White, black, grey or red tights

Mid-grey long trousers (standard fitting: not cargo style, no cords, denims or canvas trousers, no hipsters, turn-ups or adornments)

Mid-grey shorts (standard fitting: not cargo style, no cords, denims or canvas shorts or adornments)

Mid-grey skirt, culottes or pinafore dress with no adornments, length to be within 5 centimetres of the knee

Plain white or red polo shirt

Red school jumper with Westfields logo*

Red school cardigan with Westfields logo*		
In the summer term, children are also allowed to wear		
Mid-grey shorts (standard fitting: not cargo style, no cords, denims or canvas shorts or		
adornments)		
Red and white check dress or striped dress, length to be within 5 centimetres of the knee.		

4. PE Kit:

White t-shirt
Red shadow stripe sports shorts
Trainers for outdoor activities (no "hi tops" or plimsoles)
Plain black tracksuit trousers and sweatshirt may be worn for outdoor activities during the winter

Items marked * must be obtained from the School Office, other items can be purchased where you will.

5. Hair Styles

In addition to correct uniform, we expect a smart appearance from all our pupils, **including appropriate hairstyles** and suitable outer garments.

Acceptable	Not Acceptable
Natural looking hair colour	Colours including red, pink, white, bleached
	blonde – over selected areas of the head.
	Tipped hair colour is within this section, i.e. 1
	strand of hair
	Braided hair with beads/hair braid attachments
Short cut hair e.g. Grade 2	Shaved steps or patterns cut into short hair.
	Patterns in hair i.e. names, tramlines or
	checks. Shaved eyebrows.
Hairstyles with slightly different lengths	Mohicans
Ponytails – hair that is of a length that can be	Fringes that obscure children's eyes.
tied back should be tied back at all times (this	
includes girls and boys) and is for health and	
safety reasons	

Pupils should not be wearing items in their hair that are obvious and detract from the smart nature of the uniform - they should also conform to school colours of red, white, black or grey.

6. Jewellery/Make Up

We do not allow children to wear jewellery to school. The exceptions to this are small stud earrings for pierced ears (one pair only) and watches. With earrings, we ask that children either do not wear earrings on days when they have PE or they must independently remove these before PE lessons as a health and safety precaution; to prevent any injury being caused to themselves or others. The taping of earrings is not allowed.

It is inappropriate for primary school aged children to be wearing make-up or nail varnish at school and they will therefore be asked to remove it as soon as possible. Fingernails should be short, neat and clean for health and safety reasons. Pupils will be asked to remove make-up immediately and nail varnish must be removed by the beginning of the next school day.

PLEASE NOTE

Fashions change with such bewildering rapidity that it is not possible to cater for every possibility in print. The school must, therefore, reserve the right to decide what is or is not acceptable to a learning environment, both in uniform and general appearance, in cases not catered for by specific

rules. It would be advisable, when in doubt, for parents to contact the school before spending money on items which might not be allowed.

Please contact the school for further guidance on uniform and personal appearance with regard to faith and belief.

7. Consequences

If pupils are wearing inappropriate uniform, parents will be contacted. In the first instance contact will be made by the class teacher and the child will be asked to change as appropriate and parents will be notified informally. If the matter is not rectified, the pupil will be sent to a member of the Senior Leadership Team who will contact parents accordingly.

8. Non-Uniform (Mufti) Days

Pupils are still expected to wear appropriate clothing that is suitable for school and the activities that will occur during the day on non-uniform (mufti) days.

- No heels and no flip flops (sturdy sandals are acceptable)
- No vest or cropped tops

If a pupil arrives at school and is not deemed to be appropriately dressed, then a call will be made home and a suitable change of clothing is expected to be provided or PE kit can be worn if this is available.