

## **Uniform Policy**

Our school specific uniform policies, reflects Woodbridge Trust's values and reinforces our trust wide culture of high expectations and pride. All pupils and students across our Trust must dress according to the uniform policy.

Our school uniform is important to us. It is one way in which we identify ourselves as a school community and it promotes a strong, cohesive identity which supports high standards and expectations in all areas of school life. It promotes harmony between different groups represented in each school, and it reinforces a sense of belonging.

Smartness and high standards of appearance are expected at all times. We have a required school uniform for several reasons:

- ✓ Uniforms unite our individual schools within our Trust.
- ✓ Uniforms reduce distractions.
- ✓ Uniforms make us all equal.
- ✓ Uniforms look smart and our pupils and students across our Trust wear their uniform with pride, look neat and are ready to learn.

Woodbridge encourages each of the schools within our Trust to determine their bespoke uniform requirements and to have their own bespoke policy for school uniform which is reviewed periodically.

Our schools will always seek to signpost parents to the least expensive uniform suppliers and we allow our children and young people to wear items of clothing that do not have the school specific badge/ logo on as long as it complies with the uniform colours at each school.

We do advocate that parents and carer's shop at supermarkets for uniform. If we have uniform that parents and carers have donated to school, as their child has out-grown it, we will made available throughout the year.

All our children and young people have equal access to wearing school uniform regardless of their culture, race, religion, gender, disability or ability. We

ensure that the set uniform respects other policies such as equality, race and gender. Woodbridge Trust is committed to creating a positive climate that will enable everyone to feel valued.

There may be occasions when the school uniform has to be altered due to the needs of our children and young people and our head teachers in our schools are always open to discussions about your child's needs.

Our Students that attend our Sixth Form and our College do not have to wear a designated uniform and they have the right to choose their own clothes although we ask that they comply with health and safety rules and are not offensive to others.

Please refer to each school within Woodbridge trust for the specific uniform details of that setting.



**Ladywood School** uniform comprises of: Sweatshirts, polo shirts and fleeces containing the school logo. Uniform with the school logo can be purchased from Smart Clothing, Bolton Market Complex and Whittakers on Bradshawgate. Alternatively plain royal blue polo shirts or sweatshirts may also be worn and can be purchased from various local shops. Navy blue or black jogging pants for our younger children and navy or grey shorts, skirts or trousers for the older children. Blue and white summer dresses for girls in the summer months.

Children are required to bring into school clothing to be worn when taking part in PE activities. These consist of pumps for indoor use, trainers for outdoor use, as well as black shorts and a white t-shirt, which should be brought to school in a named PE bag and left at school until the end of each half term.

All uniform and PE kits, including all footwear, should be clearly labelled.

All children who start at Ladywood are given a Ladywood book bag. Replacement book bags are available to buy from school or given to non-pupil premium children.

As part of our commitment to sustainability, Ladywood School provides a school uniform bank. All nearly new or good quality donations of uniform are gratefully received. Any parents who wish to request uniform items from school, please contact the school office.