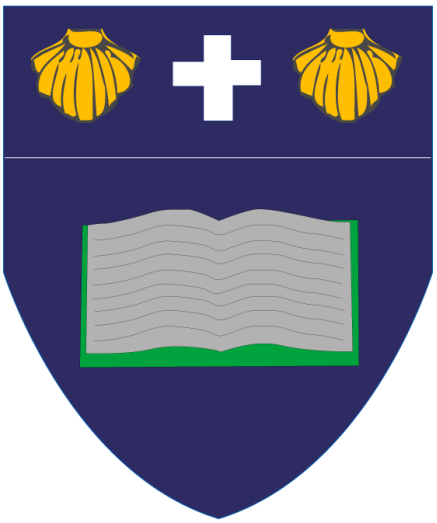
Westleigh Methodist School Uniform Policy



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Mission Statement

Our Vision:
We are a loving, inclusive family, rooted in our Christian Values and nurturing ethos. We provide a positive learning environment where all children can achieve their full potential.

The vision of Westleigh Methodist Primary School is to maintain a small, Christian school where the SLT and staff are knowledgeable about each child's abilities and challenges so that we can offer the most effective support for each individual child to meet those challenges, grow completely as a "well rounded" person and increase his/her skills to perform successfully in all academic areas. We believe that 'With God, all things are possible' – Matthew 19:26.

Safeguarding Statement

At Westleigh Methodist Primary School we recognise our moral and statutory responsibility to safeguard and promote the welfare of all children.

We work to provide a safe and welcoming environment where children are respected and valued. We are alert to the signs of abuse and neglect and follow our procedures to ensure that children receive effective support, protection and justice.

The procedures contained in the Safeguarding Policy apply to all staff, volunteers and governors

School Uniform Policy

Rationale

We believe that the wearing of uniform encourages children to have a sense of belonging and of being part of the community, which impacts positively on their wellbeing. It is an outward expression of the school's identity and promotes a feeling of pride and equality. In addition, we believe that the wearing of a 'uniform', as opposed to leisure wear, contributes to helping children understand that they come to school to work and learn.

Aims

• To ensure that children wear clothing which is safe and practical.
• To promote pride/ambition in their school and a sense of identity.
• To promote the idea of Westleigh Methodist Primary School as a learning community and we expect exceptional standards.
• To promote the image of the school within the local area and the town.
• To eliminate competition amongst children in relation to what they wear (preventing bullying).
• To ensure that the uniform is simple, high quality and reasonably priced.

Uniform Requirements

- White polo shirt
- Navy blue sweatshirt or cardigan
- Y6 pupils teal blue sweatshirt or cardigan
- Grey trousers, skirt or pinafore dress
- Grey or black socks, or grey or black tights
- Black shoes, not boots
- In Summer your child may wear a white and blue gingham dress
- Hair must be tied back with a blue or black hair bobble.

P.E. Kit

All children should have a change of clothing for P.E, kept in a drawstring bag with the school logo on clearly labelled with your child's name on the outside, as follows:

- Coloured crew neck Fruit of the Loom PE t.shirt

(Your child will be allocated a colour of shirt that they will stick to during their time at Westleigh. This will either be **RED, KELLY GREEN, SUNFLOWER YELLOW, or ROYAL BLUE** and will relate to the house that your child will be in)

- Plain navy shorts or joggers depending on the weather
- Plain navy zip up jacket/hoody

- plain black trainers or pumps with no coloured logos or patterns.

P.E. Kit should be left in school and will be sent home half termly.

Swimming Kit

All children should bring in, for swimming, the following:

• Money to cover the cost of the coach.
• Swimming costume (no bikinis).
• Swimming trunks or shorts (must be above the knee).
• Towel.
If your child has a verucca/wart on their foot, they are to wear a verucca sock for the swimming lesson.

Health and Safety

There are several health and safety issues which inform our school policy as follows:
• No jewellery should be worn except a wristwatch.
• Children with long hair need to have their hair tied back.
• No make-up is to be worn in school, including nail varnish and stick on tattoos.
• For pierced ears only stud earrings one per earlobe and these should be removed for P.E. (If children are unable to take studs out themselves these should be left at home on P.E. days. School staff are not permitted to remove any earrings). Plasters can be provided by parents/carers as well.
• Please ensure all of your child's clothing is named clearly, at all times.