

Walsh Church of England Infant and Junior Schools Uniform Policy

Summer 2025 Review Summer 2026

Our school colours are blue, white and grey. We have a school uniform for a variety of reasons. These include giving the children a sense of pride in their school, giving a school identity and a sense of belonging and membership. We want our pupils to be smart ambassadors for the schools when they are out and about in the community.

UNIFORM

- Grey trousers or shorts, grey skirt or pinafore
- White polo shirt
- Blue and white check summer dress
- Blue cardigan/sweatshirt (with school logo preferred)
- White ankle or knee length socks, grey or black socks (not trainer socks)
- Navy blue, grey or white tights (not to be worn with socks)
- Sensible dark coloured, flat healed, leather shoes should be worn for normal school hours

We ask parents to ensure that all items of clothing, along with any other items brought into school, are clearly marked with the child's full name, either with a suitable label or with permanent pen. This reduces the likelihood of items going missing in school.

P.E.

- White t-shirt (with logo preferred) or plain white t-shirt
- Black plimsolls
- Blue shorts

All kit to be kept in a named P.E. bag, and kept in school through the week

Shoes: Sensible dark coloured, flat healed, leather shoes should be worn for normal school hours. Trainers, boots, ballet type shoes and sling-backed heels are not acceptable. Open-toed shoes are not permitted for safety reasons. As a guide - if they can't be polished then they are unlikely to be suitable school shoes.

Hair: Extremes of hairstyle or cut are unacceptable at school such as shaved sections, tramlines or 'Mohawk' styles. Dyed hair is also not acceptable.

Hair that is shoulder length or longer should be tied up in a ponytail or plait. Only <u>plain</u> navy, black, brown or white hair bands or hair clips to be worn. Hair bows are not to be larger than 3cm (including bows on Alice bands), they must be <u>plain</u> navy, black, brown or white coloured.

Decorative hair accessories such as large bows/flowers are not acceptable.

Make up / Nails: The children are not allowed to wear make-up, nail varnish or false nails at school. Nail varnish remover and makeup wipes are kept in the medical room and children will be asked to remove these products.

Jewellery: should be kept to a minimum in school for reasons of safety.

If parents have their child's ears pierced, please could it be done at the beginning of the summer holiday so that the earrings can be removed for PE/Games when the children return to school in September. If a child cannot remove their own earrings, these may be taped up for PE lessons. Only small plain gold/silver flat earrings or studs are permitted, not hoops, as they can easily catch during play and cause injury. Children are only allowed to wear one piercing in the lobe of the ear only. Children must be able to remove/insert/tape their own earrings, alternatively please remove their earrings before school on PE days.

Watches: Children may wear a basic wristwatch. They cannot wear a Fitbit or any other type of fitness watch, no smart watches or any other device that can connect to the internet or be used with GPS. If a child wears one of these devices to school, they will be confiscated and stored in the school office and treated like a mobile phone.

Book bag: All children at the Infant school should have a blue book bag with the school logo. Junior school children are welcome to have a book bag if they wish.

Religious and cultural customs: The schools will take into consideration religious and cultural customs where parents make a request for a reasonable adjustment to the current school uniform. Such requests must be made in writing for the attention of the Headteacher who will consider the request.

Where to purchase: Most items of our uniform can be sourced from high street suppliers. All items with the school logo can be purchased from Phoenix of Ash, 3 The Courtyard, 248 Shawfield Rd, Ash, Aldershot GU12 5DJ https://phoenixofash.co.uk/

Appendix 1

Pierced Ears

As stated in our school uniform policy:

'If parents have their child's ears pierced, please could it be done at the beginning of the summer holiday so that the earrings can be removed for PE/Games when the children return to school in September.'

However, should your child have their ears pierced and are unable to remove their earrings and you wish them to take part in PE lessons then this will be allowed on completion of the form below.

Pierced Ears Permission
I (parent's name) give permission for my son/daughter
(child's name) to take part in PE lessons whilst wearing their earrings
I accept full responsibility should any injuries be sustained to my child's ears during this time and acknowledge that the Walsh schools cannot be held accountable for any injuries as a result of earrings being worn.
Signed:
Date: