

Dress Code for Lacewood Primary School



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Dress Code at Lacewood Primary school

Lacewood Primary School believes that uniform plays an important part in supporting the ethos of the school by:

- Promoting a communal identity unique to the school
- Reflecting high standards of appearance thereby promoting a sense of pride in the school community
- Ensuring that pupils of all ethnic groups and backgrounds feel included and welcomed within the school community
- Protecting pupils from social pressure to dress in a particular way
- Promoting cohesion and avoiding differences between groups of pupils

Description of the school uniform

- Smart grey/black trousers/skirts/pinafores (skirts/pinafores to be knee length) (no leggings/sportswear/jogging bottoms)
- White/green polo shirt with or without school logo
- Bottle green jumper/cardigan with or without logo (no hoodies – exception to be made for Y6 children when they purchase their leavers hoodies)
- White/black/grey socks
- Black/grey/green tights
- Smart all black footwear (shoes/trainers). Trainer style shoes are permissible as long as they are totally black with no coloured sole or sports branding. No heels. Flat sandals with a back ankle strap are allowed in summer and flat dark coloured boots are allowed in winter. No flip flops.
- In summer shorts (not jersey or sportswear) and green check dresses can be worn.

Jewellery

We want to ensure the health and safety of all pupils in the school and avoid the loss of or damage to pupils' valuable possessions.

The risk of injury from children wearing jewellery in school gets greater every day. The claim culture we live in could potentially cost our school a lot of money which should be spent on your child. They are at risk during PE sessions, running around on the playground and trim trail and during swimming lessons.

The school will not accept responsibility for any injuries which occur through the wearing of jewellery.

The wearing of jewellery of any type is strictly forbidden during games, PE, swimming lessons, on the trim trail and similar activities. For this reason, we have decided to say no to the wearing of jewellery at all times.

- We ask parents to remove any relevant jewellery in the morning before a child comes to school.
- We ask parents that if they wish their child to have their ears pierced that this is done at the beginning of the summer break.

The Governing Body stress that their prime concern, and that of the school, is the safety of its pupils and are following guidelines from the Health & safety at Work Act 1974 and guidelines detailed in the Department for Education booklet entitled 'Safe Practice in Physical Education'.

We understand the pleasure that the wearing of jewellery gives to children, particularly when it is new, but we consider the risks of accidents involving the wearing of jewellery are great when children are involved in the day-to-day activities of school life.

We encourage parents and carers to support us with this so that precious jewellery is not brought to school and that the health and safety of all children is not compromised.

If your child does come to school wearing jewellery we will follow the procedure outlined below:

1. We will ask your child to remove the jewellery themselves and this will be stored in the Headteacher's office.
2. If this is not possible, we will telephone parents to come and remove their jewellery for them.
3. If parents cannot come to school the child will not be able to participate in PE, lunchtime or break time activities this includes outdoor play for Foundation stage children

Other forms of dress code

Any type of make-up – lipstick, eye shadow, eye liner, mascara, nail polish and false nails are not allowed.

Pupils should have long hair secured appropriately with simple, plain, hair bands or bobbles for PE and access to the trim trail.

PE Uniform

Indoors - black shorts (not denim), coloured Lacewood PE T-shirt and bare feet

Outdoors - As above or track suit bottoms and trainers

Children who forget their PE kits will be monitored and a letter will be sent home. Parents of children, who are regularly missing PE due to no kit, or the incorrect kit, will be invited in to see a member of the Senior Leadership Team or Headteacher.

All items of uniform that are worn to school must have the pupil's initial and surname clearly written in the item of clothing. The school is not responsible for any pupil's belongings. In the event of damage or loss, however caused, the school will not recompense pupils or parents/carers.

Any accommodations or adjustments from this policy are strictly at the discretion of the headteacher.

Failure to comply will result in a meeting with the headteacher to discuss an appropriate resolution.

Uniform may be ordered directly from the main office, if items showing the school logo are required.