

# What uniform should my child wear?

- White shirt or polo shirt
- Grey pinafore or skirt
- Grey trousers for boys
- Blue summer dresses
- A navy-blue cardigan, sweatshirt or knitted jumper with the school logo
- School ties may be worn with collared shirts
- Black school shoes
- Blue fleeces are also available with the school logo. The fleeces are for outdoors only.

### Clothing for PE

- A plain white t-shirt (no logos or graphics)
- Black shorts or jogging bottoms
- Pumps or trainers

#### Swimming

• Swimming trunks, shorts or a costume

#### Other

- Hair should be tied back
- Headscarves should be navy blue, white or black.
- Jewelry is not permitted.
- A small stud earring is allowed.
- Nail varnish is not permitted in school.

# Where can I buy school uniform from?

School uniform is available to purchase online from Clive Mark or My Clothing.

Alternatively, Clive Mark have a branch located in Bearwood:

Telephone: 0121 429 4244

4-5 Three Shires Oak Road Bearwood, Warley West Midlands. B67 5AX View on maps

# How do you limit the cost of school uniform?

Our school has a duty to make sure that the uniform we require is affordable, in line with statutory guidance from the Department for Education on the cost of school uniform.

We understand that items with distinctive characteristics (such as branded items, or items that have to have a school logo or a unique fabric/colour/design) cannot be purchased from a wide range of retailers and that requiring many such items limits parents' ability to 'shop around' for a low price.

We will make sure our uniform:

- Is available at a reasonable cost
- Provides the best value for money for parents/carers We will do this by:
  - Carefully considering whether any items with distinctive characteristics are necessary

- Limiting any items with distinctive characteristics where possible, for example, by only asking that the jumper features the school logo
- Limiting items with distinctive characteristics to low-cost and/or long-lasting items, such as ties
- Considering cheaper alternatives to school-branded items, such as logos that can be ironed on, as long as this doesn't compromise quality and durability
- Avoiding specific requirements for items pupils could wear on non-school days, such as coats, bags and shoes
- Keeping the number of optional branded items to a minimum, so that the school's uniform can act as a social leveler
- Avoiding different uniform requirements for different year/class/house groups
- Avoiding different uniform requirements for extra-curricular activities
- Considering alternative methods for signaling differences in groups for interschool competitions, such as creating posters or labels
- Making sure that arrangements are in place for parents to acquire secondhand uniform items
- Avoiding frequent changes to uniform specifications and minimising the financial impact on parents of any changes
- Consulting with parents and pupils on any proposed significant changes to the uniform policy and carefully considering any complaints about the policy