



Coaley Church of England Academy

Headteacher: Miss Jen Thomas

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Coaley Uniform Policy

It is our policy that all children should wear clothing that is in keeping with a purposeful learning ethos. Our approach to children's school uniform is based on the belief that a school uniform promotes a sense of pride in the school, engenders a feeling of community and belonging, is practical and smart, identifies the children within the school, is not distracting in class (as fashion clothes might be), makes children feel equal to their peers in terms of appearance, is regarded as suitable, and good value for money, by most parents and has been designed with health and safety in mind. We also believe it is important that certain activities are facilitated by specialised and appropriate clothing when attending school, or when participating in a school-organised event outside normal school hours. We provide a complete list of the items needed for children's school uniform in this policy and on our website.

In line with the latest legislation (September 2026), our policy meets the new requirement which limits the number of compulsory branded items and PE kit to 3 or fewer as detailed below. Please note other than our request for a branded school jumper/ cardigan, all other branded clothing is optional.

Daily School Uniform

- **Navy blue school sweatshirt or cardigan (branded with school logo)**
- Grey trousers, grey shorts, grey skirt or grey pinafore (non-branded)
- White polo shirt or white shirt/blouse (branding optional)
- Dark socks/tights – blue/black or grey (non-branded)
- Navy gingham dresses in the summer term (non-branded)
- A suitable coat must be brought to school each day (non-branded)

PE Kit/ Forest School

- Green, orange or purple house coloured t shirt- please check which house your child is in before purchasing (branding optional)
- Navy PE shorts or joggers
- Trainers/ wellies
- Navy hoodie (**branding optional**)

This should be worn on PE days, Forest School days, sport fixture days, Sports day and when informed by school staff.

Footwear

- **Black shoes with flat heel** (non-branded)
- *Open-toed shoes/sandals are not appropriate footwear for school.*
- Trainers should only be worn on PE days (non-branded)
- If it is a wet or cold day and your child needs to wear wellies or warm boots to travel to school, **please make sure they have normal school shoes to change into.**
- Wellies – to be kept in school for play on the field.

Swimwear

- Swimming trunks for the boys (not shorts of any kind)
- Swimsuit for girls (not bikinis or other two-piece sets)
- Towel



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Optional clothing

- Navy fleece (branding optional)
- Waterproof coat (branding optional)
- Bookbag/ Backpack/ Cap- (branding optional)

Branded items required for school

Please note, the only branded item of clothing we request all children to wear is the school jumper/ cardigan. All other branded items are available for you to purchase at your discretion.

Second Hand Uniform

- Please see the school office for our second-hand uniform supplies where we kindly ask for a donation if you are able to make one.
- FOCS (Friends of Coaley School) also hold a second hand clothes sale each large term.

Uniform supplier for branded items

Batemans,
2 Kendrick Street,
STROUD,
GL5 1AB
www.batemanssports.co.uk

The following items are not permitted in school:

- Leggings or jeans
- Hoodies (other than school logo or plain navy)
- Other coloured sweatshirts, T-shirts
- Heeled shoes
- Trainers (others than PE days or Forest School days) or open toe sandals
- Jewellery (on health and safety grounds we do not allow children to wear jewellery in our school. The exception is if your child has ear piercings, where only small studs should be worn)
- Make up and cosmetics including nail varnish (Make up and cosmetics are not considered appropriate or consistent with our school uniform. The school does not permit such products to be worn by any children, unless there is a specific event for which the Head has given permission)

Lost property

- Lost property will be put in the lost property box which is readily available. We shall endeavour to return named items to individuals as they are found.

We kindly ask that you label your child's name in all clothing, PE Kit, bags and footwear.