

Uniform Policy 2025/2026

**St. Lawrence CE (VA)
Primary School,
With
Little Lawrences**

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Introduction

Our school uniform is a statement of intent to work and learn in a harmonious environment where all are treated equally: it is our badge of identity as a school family. Children should show pride in their school by ensuring that they wear their uniform smartly.

Upon entry into Little Lawrences as preparation for the next stages of their education, the uniform recognises their journey and is adapted accordingly.

We understand that some children with sensory needs may not be able to wear certain items of the school uniform. If this is the case for your child, please speak to the Headteacher to discuss a special dispensation.

The following information aims to give clarity to everyone (parents, guardians, children and staff) with regards to expectations for uniform code throughout the school day.

Basic requirements

In addition to wearing the correct uniform, children should arrive at school fully equipped for the day ahead. As a minimum children should have:

- For the colder months, a weather appropriate coat, hat and school jumper/cardigan
- Sun cream applied prior to arrival in the warmer months
- A cap or sun hat in the warmer months
- A water bottle filled with water ONLY. Juice, cordials and energy drinks are not allowed.

School provide all stationery items.

Uniform for those in Little Lawrences

Children may wear their own or parents' choice of clothes as they see appropriate. These should be non-restrictive and easy to change children in and out of if a change of clothes is needed.

As part of our school uniform, we do have emerald green round necked sweatshirts with the Little Lawrences logo on. * These are optional.

Children often wish to wear polo shirts, trousers (long or short) and other uniform items as specified similar to those in Reception. This is always welcomed but not expected. A pair of wellington boots are recommended for the autumn and winter months.

Uniform for those in the main school from Reception to Y4

- emerald green round necked sweatshirt with school logo on *
- grey skirt, skorts or pinafore dress
- Grey or black trousers (long or short)
- gold polo shirt
- Black or grey socks, grey or dark green tights
- **JAN 2026 AMENDMENT** - sensible black flat heeled school shoes that are either slip on (but secure) or with lace up, buckle or velcro fastenings. No trainers or boots.
- yellow and white striped or checked dresses can be worn in the summer term
- book bag with school logo on * - Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 only

Uniform for those in the main school in Y5 and Y6

As above with the following changes:

- emerald green v-neck sweatshirt with school logo on *

- emerald green cardigan with school logo *
- white collared shirt - long or short sleeved
- school tie - clip on or standard - gold and green stripe *

All clothing should be clearly labelled with your child's name.

Second hand sweatshirts and cardigans are often available for free at the school office and there is a Facebook page run by parents offering used uniform items.

**** Items marked with an asterix should be purchased via the parent/guardian School Money account and collected from the school office***

PE kit for those in Little Lawrences

There is no PE kit for children in Little Lawrences however, children should have a suitable change of footwear if they are not already wearing trainers or pumps. Indoor PE is done with bare feet.

PE kit for those in Reception to Y6

- emerald green school PE shorts * (Reception may wear their own shorts if preferred but we encourage emerald green school PE shorts)
- **JAN 2026 AMENDMENT** - Joggers may be worn in colder weather. Black or navy are preferred with grey as a follow up. No football kits, rugby tops or hoodies during class PE lessons.
- white short-sleeved plain polo shirt or t-shirt
- outdoor trainers are required (Reception may wear black pumps/plimsoles if preferred)
- studded boots (you will be informed if these are necessary) for use on the field are allowed but no spikes
- drawstring bag *
- change of socks
- shin pads are not necessary unless attending an afterschool sports club

Forest School - Year 1

Our Year 1 are fortunate to have a small forest school area behind their classroom which is used on a weekly basis. You will be advised of which day forest school will take place each week. For forest school children will require weather appropriate clothing:

- Wellington boots
- Waterproof trousers
- Joggers or leggings
- Waterproof coat/cagool/winter coat that can get muddy
- Hat/Cap
- A bag to bring their dirty clothes home in

Swimming Kit requirements for those invited to swimming lessons in Y3 to Y6

- Towel
- Goggles
- One piece swimsuit or shorts above the knee
- Waterproof bag or plastic carrier bag
- Shampoo/body wash are NOT required as there is only time for a quick shower

Temporary changes to the uniform policy for school events

On occasion there may be temporary changes to the school uniform such as for charity events, World book days and after school events. Requirements for the individual event will be published in advance with details of what should be worn. We politely request that you do NOT send children with any of the following:

- High-heeled shoes, open-toed sandals or flip flops
- Strappy tops that expose the shoulders
- Cropped tops that expose the midriff
- Very short skirts or shorts
- Long skirts that touch the ground
- Jewellery of ANY kind
- Clothing with inappropriate slogans

Clothing for school trips and residential

Throughout the year, children will be invited to attend outings away from the school grounds. Clothing requirements will be communicated for each event.

Hair

- Hair should be of natural colours without embellishments. Exceptions will of course be made for religious or cultural beliefs. In these instances, please contact the Headteacher.
- Hair can be adorned with a simple alice band, scrunchie or hair clips.
- Long hair should be tied back **at all times** for both hygiene and safety reasons.
- When we are informed of a nit infestation, we will email all parents in the class but not reveal the individual affected child's name.

Jewellery

Ideally, no watches or jewellery should be worn in school however:

- Watches may be worn. Any photographic capabilities or messaging apps must be disabled. Children will be asked to remove watches for PE and swimming lessons.
- Ear-rings may be worn but must only be simple round, silver studs. Children will be asked to remove ear-rings for PE and swimming lessons.
- Children must NOT wear chains, necklaces, nose piercings, brooches, rings or other jewellery items.

Fashion and beauty items

- No make-up is permitted to be worn by children in school unless agreed by the Headteacher for a medical reason.
- False nails are not permitted in school
- Children may wear clear, plain nail varnish on their own natural nails but no coloured varnish.

Addressing infringements of the uniform policy

Staff will monitor and action uniform infringements daily to ensure a consistent approach.

Where there is an infringement of the uniform policy we will:

1. Check if there is an agreed written dispensation with the Headteacher for this child on the basis of SEN or other needs
2. Check if this is a religious or cultural amendment to the uniform that has been agreed in advance in writing with the Headteacher.
3. Check if the office has had notification of a temporary change to the students uniform from a parent/guardian such as an item having been lost, broken or grown out of. We will attempt to locate the item or offer something from lost property. Parents/guardians are responsible for rectifying the situation promptly. If you require assistance in the purchase of uniform, please contact the office and your query will be dealt with in the strictest confidence.

If the above points do not apply:

4. Stage 1: Speak to the student to remind them of the uniform policy. Email parent/guardian with a copy of the policy.
5. Stage 2: If the infringement is not rectified by the next school day or a further infringement occurs, again speak to the student to remind them of the uniform policy. Email parent/guardian with a copy of the policy.
6. Stage 3: If the infringement is not rectified by the next school day or a further infringement occurs, students may be asked to remove/replace the non-uniform items and their parent/guardian collect them from the school office at the end of the day. Email parent/guardian with a copy of the policy.

**EVERYTHING THAT YOUR CHILD BRINGS INTO SCHOOL
MUST BE NAMED**