



Uniform Policy

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The Uniform Policy has been written using the [DfE's Statutory guidance Cost of School Uniforms \(published 19/11/2021\)](#) and the [non-statutory guidance School Uniforms \(updated 2 June 2023\)](#).



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1. Cost of School Uniform

The purpose of the Uniform policy is to ensure the cost of Amwell View School and Specialist Sports College's school uniform is reasonable and secures the best value for money.

Amwell View School and Specialist Sports College is a special school for pupils with severe learning difficulties, profound and complex needs. The school understands the importance of having an affordable school uniform in order to:

- Promote the ethos of a school
- Provide a sense of belonging and identity
- Set an appropriate tone for education

With this in mind, the school has limited the items of clothing needed to be branded with a logo and allows parents and carers to source their own providers of the non-branded uniform items in order to keep the cost of school uniform down. The items that the school would like to be branded with a logo and those items that do not need to be branded with a logo can be found in Section 2 of this policy.

School Trends is Amwell View School and Specialist Sports College's preferred current supplier of branded uniform. Every five years the contract is reviewed and alternative providers are asked to tender in order to check and confirm our preferred supplier gives the highest priority to cost and value for money (including the quality and durability of the garments).

Second-hand uniforms are available for parents to acquire from the Amwell View School Charity Shop, more information can be found in Section 4.

2. Amwell View School Uniform and PE Kit

School Uniform

- Grey trousers / navy blue joggers
- Grey skirt / pinafore dress
- Sky blue school polo shirt with school logo
- Sky blue school sweatshirt with school logo
- Royal blue jumper or cardigan with school logo

PE Kit

- Sky blue T-shirt with school logo
- Navy blue shorts
- White ankle socks
- Plimsolls / Trainers
- PE Kit Bag



Horse-riding

- Long trousers
- Anorak
- Gloves
- Wellington boots or boots with a heel

Swimming Kit

- Swimming costume
- Towel
- Swimming Hat (can be ordered from school)
- Towelling Robe (if swimming in school)

Labelling School Uniform and Clothing

Every item of clothing must be clearly marked with the pupil's name so that they can easily be identified. Kits should be kept in a named bag. Parents are reminded that children change all their clothes for PE and swimming so please also mark underclothes.

Personal Property and Jewellery

Every effort is made to make pupils aware of their clothing, to recognise and look after their own possessions and to learn dressing skills which are necessary for independence. Do not allow your child to bring valuable possessions in to school. Jewellery should not be worn, for health and safety reasons. Earrings should be removed for PE and Swimming.

Physical Education

Over the past few years pupils throughout the school are being given more opportunities to experience various sporting activities in the local community and work alongside their mainstream peers in events organised by the Hertford and Ware School Sport Partnership. Pupils in the upper school also participate in competitions against other SLD Schools, competing locally and nationally in different sports.

All pupils receive PE lessons each week and many pupils are involved in additional daily activities, therefore we would be grateful if your child's PE kit can remain in school. It will be sent home to be washed at the teacher's discretion or at your request.

Trainers for PE should offer good ankle support when running and climbing, and pupils will also work in bare feet for Gymnastics and Dance. If pupils wear trainers to school instead of a pair of shoes they need to have a separate pair to change into for PE that can remain in school with their PE kit.

Trampolining / Rebound Therapy

Pupils who participate in Trampolining will need to wear a pair of joggers and extra socks.

Soft Play

Pupils who access Soft Play need to wear long sleeved top and long trousers. These should be provided by parents.

Horse Riding

Pupils require warm clothing and boots with a heel or wellington boots. Long trousers must be worn throughout the year, regardless of the weather.



Swimming

Swimming is a very important part of the school curriculum. All pupils will require a swimming costume, swimming hat and towel, and those who swim within school will need a towelling robe. Wet kits will be sent home after use.

If your child is incontinent, or has potential to foul the pool, they are required to wear a disposable swimming nappy and protective pants under their costume or disposable swimming nappy with a costume which has integrated protective pants, during their swimming lessons. These can be purchased from your local supermarkets, [amazon.co.uk](https://www.amazon.co.uk), [waterbabies.co.uk](https://www.waterbabies.co.uk) and [splashabout.com](https://www.splashabout.com).

Swimming Hats

As part of our Health and Safety policy it is a requirement that all pupils wear a swimming hat during their swimming lessons. Staff will collect pupils' swimming hats at the end of their swimming lesson and keep them in school.

Soft cloth, latex and silicone hats are available to order through the Arbor App. Latex and silicone hats are recommended for pupils with long hair to help prevent their hair getting too wet. Pupils with epilepsy or are prone to having seizures should purchase a 'Yellow Silicone Hat', as this identifies them clearly with swimming off site.

Swimming hats can be found and purchased under the Amwell View Shop on the Arbor App. If you need help please contact the school on 01920 870027 and ask the Front Office staff or the Bursar.

Verrucas

Please note that if your child has a verruca, the foot must be covered with a verruca sock when participating in Swimming, Dance or PE lessons.

3. School Uniform Provider

The current preferred supplier for Amwell View School and Specialist Sports College's school uniform is School Trends.

Parents and Carers can order and pay for their child's School Uniform and PE kit online from 'School Trends' by following the link www.schooltrends.co.uk

They can go to the website address, select 'Find My School' and follow the order instructions and pay online

There are no minimum order quantities and the uniform will be delivered directly to their chosen address.

Items such as trousers, skirts and shirts can be bought from the [School Trends](https://www.schooltrends.co.uk) or can be bought from their chosen provider (e.g. local supermarket).



4. Amwell View School Charity Shop

Amwell View School also has a 'pre-loved' second-hand uniform rail in the **Amwell View School Charity Shop**. **Uniform is available to buy from just 20p per item.**

Amwell View School Charity Shop
6-8 High Street
Stanstead Abbots
Herts
SG12 8AB

Opening Times:

Monday to Thursday 08:30 – 16:00hrs
Friday 09:00-14:00hrs

Charity Shop Telephone number: 07551 296 597

About the Charity Shop:

Amwell View Charity Shop aims to provide meaningful work experience opportunities for young people and adults with learning difficulties. The shop is located in close proximity to the school meaning that students have the opportunity to walk to the shop with the support of staff. The shop will also support the school's presence in the community and raise awareness of learning difficulties. We are a registered charity (Charity number: 803181) and will use sales to contribute to the continued existence of the charity shop and provision. In addition to the much needed work experience opportunities we hope to provide a valued service for the local community.

5. Review and Monitoring

This policy will be reviewed at least annually.