



Headteacher Update

2026 - 2027

Active School Uniform

On the 13th February 2026 all parents (who had children at OBS) were informed that from September 1st 2026 (the new school term) we would be **only** having an Active School uniform. Since that date, I have sent multiple reminders including photos of the uniform and links to where you can purchase the sports tops and fleeces both as letters, on our school website and via the school Facebook page.

A huge thank you to the parents who have made sure their child is in the correct Active School Uniform today to start the new term. Unfortunately, we have a number of children who are not correctly dressed under the active uniform guidelines.

In assembly today, we spoke about what our uniform should be like and saw the correct active uniform being worn by many pupils.

On the 12th July 2026 to following letter was sent home:

As shops are starting to have school uniform sales/promotions, I thought it would be good to remind families of the importance of ensuring that all pupils attend school in the correct uniform.

*Since the introduction of our Active Uniform, we have allowed a transition period to support families with the change. From **September 2026, this transition period will come to an end**, and our active uniform standards will be fully enforced. Staff will continue to provide reminders where necessary but we wanted to set out the expectations clearly now to avoid any uncertainty.*

*Please ensure that all uniform items meet the guidance published by the school. In particular, the following items **will not be permitted**:*

- **Short Nike Pro-style cycling shorts** or similar fitted sports shorts. Active Uniform shorts should be **mid-thigh length or longer**.
- **Black and white trainers**, including styles such as Nike Dunks, Converse and similar footwear. Pupils must wear **plain black trainers with a plain black sole and plain black logos/branding**.
- **Cargo-style shorts** or shorts with large external pockets.

We ask all families to carefully check uniform items before purchasing them for September. Following the guidance will help ensure consistency, reduce distractions and maintain the high standards we expect from all pupils.

If you are unsure whether an item is suitable, please contact the school office before purchasing it and, we will be happy to advise. Thank you for your continued support in maintaining our high expectations.

If the staff do not feel as though your child's uniform is following the active uniform guidelines, your child might come home today with a copy of the poster below. Please can I ask that you ensure your child is dressed in correct school uniform following the guidance, any variations will not be accepted.

**Your child can wear a combination of any of the clothing shown below on all 5 days of the week.
There is no separate PE kit.**

- Plain black: joggers, tracksuit bottoms, fitted leggings, PE shorts (at least mid-thigh length) or PE skirts
- White polo T-shirt (with a collar)
- One school-branded top: **jumper, cardigan, fleece or sports top**
- Plain black trainers including black logos/branding

			
White polo tshirt	Plain black trainers	Plain black joggers	Plain black sports shorts
			
Plain black cycling shorts	Plain black fitted leggings	Plain black PE skirt	Plain black or white socks
			
Jumper	Cardigan	Fleece	Sports top

No thank you to:

- Hoop or dangly earrings
- Smart watches that have internet connection or ability to take photos/recordings
- Unnecessary use of pimple patches
- Open toed sandals, flip flops, crocs or any other type of current fashionable footwear
- Heeled shoes/boots
- Large hair accessories (bigger than a fist)
- Fashion trends such as make up, nail varnish, colour hair extensions, hair dye, tattoo transfers, fashion haircuts (this list is inclusive but not exhaustive)
- Coloured trainers
- Branded/logo clothing