

# INFORMATION

# FOR PARENTS

# Vision

*'You must love one another as I have loved you.'* John 13 v 34.

Working together with love we will provide a happy and nurturing environment where all will, '**learn to love and love to learn**', making outstanding progress through an enriched and creative curriculum. Through our strong Christian ethos we will celebrate and embrace the richness of our community.

*Learn to Love - Love to Learn*

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# Values

Our vision and Christian ethos is supported by the following core values;

**Forgiveness and Reconciliation**

**Agape**

**Compassion and Community**

**Equality**

**Service and Stewardship**

# MISSION

The school's mission statement will be underpinned by our vision, motto and values with our commitment to the '*Rights of the Child*' (UNCRC).

We will therefore:

- nurture a **compassionate** community where all feel safe to express their different points of view knowing that their opinions are valued.  
[Article 12 \(respect for the views of the child\)](#)  
[Article 30 \(children from minority or indigenous groups\)](#)
- work in partnership with our **community** ensure that **agape** is at the heart of all we do.  
[Article 14 \(freedom of thought, belief and religion\)](#)
- teach the true meaning of **forgiveness** and **reconciliation** encouraging an attitude of loving one another and promoting good mental health and wellbeing.  
[Article 2 \(non-discrimination\)](#)
- have at our heart collective worship that will encompass our vision and Christian ethos.  
[Article 14 \(freedom of thought, belief and religion\)](#)
- provide an enriched and creative curriculum where all will flourish so that they '**learn to love and love to learn.**'  
[Article 28 \(right to education\)](#)
- develop a PSHE and RSE curriculum that has at its heart **equality and inclusion** preparing children for the joys and challenges of modern Britain.  
[Article 3 \(best interests of the child\)](#)
- instil the attitude of **service and stewardship** that challenges social injustice, promotes **equality** and encourages an understanding of our world and the needs and wants of others.  
[Article 29 \(goals of education\)](#)

# School Uniform

School uniform plays a valuable role in contributing to the ethos of a school and setting an appropriate tone. Most schools in England have a uniform or dress code, and other rules on appearance.

Schools are strongly encouraged to have a uniform as it can instil pride; support positive behaviour and discipline; encourage identity with, and support for, school ethos; ensure pupils of all races and backgrounds feel welcome; protect children from social pressures to dress in a particular way; and nurture cohesion and promote good relations between different groups of pupils.

Above all, the Governing Board believe that school uniform supports effective teaching and learning.

The Governing Board at St Giles' C.E. Primary School has decided that there should be a school uniform and other rules relating to appearance. This flows from the duties placed upon the Governing Board by statute to conduct the school and to ensure that school policies promote good behaviour and discipline amongst the pupil body.

**The Governing Board has given powers to the Head Teacher to discipline pupils for breach of uniform/appearance policy. Such discipline may include the removal of the right to access the playground at break times/lunchtimes and restricting attendance on school trips or prohibiting pupils representing the school, for example at sports events if the uniform/general appearance fails to meet the agreed uniform/ general appearance expectations of the school.**

The school will endeavour to engage with parents and provide time to purchase the required items and/or consider whether a school or local authority clothing grant can be supplied, if a family is under extreme financial pressure.

I do appreciate that the vast majority of pupils attend school dressed appropriately, and thank you for continuing to support the school in our aim to provide a first class education for all our pupils.

# Uniform Nursery – Year 6

## GIRLS:

Grey or black skirt/tights/trousers - *Fashion trousers/leggings are not permitted.*

(\*Nursery pupils are permitted to wear grey/black jogging bottoms for the Autumn Term)

School sweatshirt with logo (recommended) or a plain red jumper/ cardigan.

White blouse.

Black shoes \*Not trainers. (Flat boots to be worn with trousers only)

Regulation socks dark single colour or white.

Red/white checked dress for the summer if preferred.

Simple stud earrings are permitted only.

Uniform hair style is to be adopted at all times i.e. no shaved patterns, lines, no extremes of short and long hair/or hair cut into/ use of gel/spiked or dyed hair.

School Cap (With Logo)\*  
(No other sun cap/sun hat to be worn)

Woolly hats in the cold weather are permissible as long as they non-designer/branded and are of a single colour.

## BOYS:

Grey or black trousers.

(\*Nursery pupils are permitted to wear grey/black jogging bottoms for the Autumn Term)

Grey trouser shorts (EYFS-KS1 allowed for the Summer Term)

School sweatshirt with logo (recommended) or a plain red jumper.

White shirt.

Black shoes \*Not trainers.

Regulation socks – dark single colour.

Simple stud earrings are permitted only.

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**Please label ALL items of uniform including P.E. kit.**




## PE Kits




It is essential that children have their PE Kits in school. PE Kit consists of the following:

- Plain White T-Shirt
- Black shorts
- Black indoor pumps/ trainers
- PE Bag

Please ensure all uniform items (including PE Kit) are clearly labelled with child's full name and class



For outdoor PE – children are encouraged to bring in a plain blue/black tracksuit and are also encouraged to wear trainers.



### Swimming: (Years 4, 5 + 6)

(We will notify you when it is your child's class turn to go swimming)

Swimming is not an optional subject. If your child attends school on the day they are due to swim, they will be expected to attend their swimming lesson.

Unless there is medical evidence to prevent them from swimming in the form of prescribed medication being taken or through the production of a doctor's letter/certificate.

### Swimming Kit

- One-piece costume or trunks (*Loose fitting shorts/trunks are not allowed*)
- Towel
- Swimming cap



**Jewellery cannot be worn during ANY PE/Swimming Lessons.**

*Please support the school by ensuring that your child has the correct kit in school in order to participate in lessons each week.*



## **Book Bags**

(Reception + Years 1-6)



The school continually invests in high quality reading books for your child to enjoy. In order for books to be kept safe from the elements and to help prevent loss, it is essential that all pupils have a School Book Bag.

Book Bags can be purchased online (School Gateway App) for £4.74 which represents excellent value for money.

All children through school, including Nursery, should also have a School Library Book.



## **Lost/Damaged Books**



St Giles provides high quality reading books and library books for every single child in our school.

However, it is your child's responsibility to take good care of these resources to ensure they stay in good condition.

Any books which are lost or damaged will incur a £5.00 charge (per book) and this will go towards the replacement costs.

We will contact you should this occur.



# School Day



Year Group	Arrival Time	Finish Time
Nursery (AM) Nursery (PM)	8.30am (Main School Gates) 12:15pm (Main School Gates)	11:40am (Main School Gates) 3:15pm (Main School Gates – walk down + collect from playground)
Reception	8.30am (Main School Gates)	3:15pm (Main School Gates – walk down + collect from playground)
Years 1 + 2	8.30am (Main School Gates)	3:15pm (Wakes Ground Car Park/Field)
Years 3 + 4	8.30am (Dining Hall Gates)	3:15pm (Wakes Ground Car Park/Field)
Years 5 + 6	8.30am (Dining Hall Gates)	3:15pm (Wakes Ground Car Park/Field)

## ARRIVAL TIME

### NURSERY:

**AM: 8:30am** - Main School Gates - for children only to go **straight to class** (with staff member).

**PM: 12:15pm** - Main School Gates - for children only to go **straight to class** (with staff member).

**RECEPTION: 8:30am** - Main School Gates - for children only to go **straight to class**.

**YEARS 1 + 2 8:30am** - Main School Gates for children only to go **straight to class**

**YEARS 3, 4, 5 + 6: 8:30am** - Dining Hall Gates for children only to go **straight to class**

**ONCE YOU HAVE DROPPED YOUR CHILD(REN) OFF, WE ASK THAT YOU EXIT THE SITE ASAP**

**Please note – There is no parent/carers access past the main green gates**

(If the gates have been closed, please bring children to the main school office entrance and press the bell)

## COLLECTION TIME

### NURSERY

**11:40am** – Children are to be collected from Main School Gates.

**3:15am** – Children are to be collected from School Playground.

### RECEPTION:

**3:15pm** – Children are to be collected from School Playground.

### YEARS 1 + 2:

**3:15pm** – Children are to be collected from the Wakes Ground Car Park/Field.

### YEARS 3 + 4:

**3:20pm** – Children are to be collected from the Wakes Ground Car Park/Field.

### YEARS 5 + 6:

**3:20pm** – Children are to be collected from the Wakes Ground Car Park/Field.





## Absences



If your child is absent from school, please ensure you contact the school office by **no later than 9:00am** to confirm the reason.

This will need to be done for **each day** they are absent.

You can leave a message on the school absence line by dialling **01902 368308** and then pressing **Option 1**.

**Please note:** If your child is absent for 3 days or more, or their attendance percentage is below 92%, you will need to provide medical evidence for **all absences** in the form of an appointment card, medication label or medication receipt etc.



## Medical Appointments



Where possible, we ask that any medical appointments are made outside of school hours. If this is not possible, we ask that you provide all appointment letters or cards confirming the date and time of the appointment to the school office so we can add to our registers as soon as possible.

All children will be expected to attend school before/after attending any medical appointments.

If you have any questions regarding this please speak to the school office.



## What if I need someone else to collect my child(ren)



If your child needs to be collected by someone else, you need to contact the school office **by no later than 2:30pm**. We will need you to provide the name of the person collecting and this person will need to sign a form upon collection of the child(ren).

Alternatively if this will be an on-going arrangement, please provide written consent stating the child's name, days that this person will be collecting and any other relevant information. Alternatively please come into the school office and sign a Consent Form.

# SCHOOL DINNER PRICES

(Children in Nursery (All Day) + Years 3, 4, 5 and 6  
who are not on Free School Meals)

*(Prices correct as of 1<sup>st</sup> September 2024)*

1 days dinner = £2.20

2 days dinner = £4.40

3 days dinner = £6.60

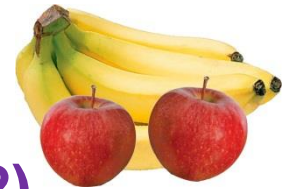
4 days dinner = £8.80

5 days dinner = £11.00

Please make payment by putting correct money into an envelope stating: Child's Name, Class, date(s) required and the full amount enclosed.

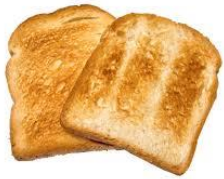
This envelope should then be put into the green "Dinner Money" box on the side of the Dining Room.

Thank you

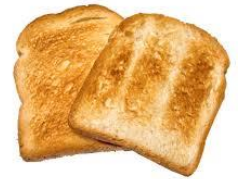


## **Morning Break** **(Nursery, Reception, Years 1 + 2)**

Children in Nursery, Reception, Year 1 + 2 will be provided with a free piece of fruit at Snack Time.



## **Morning Break** **(Children in Years 3 to 6 Only)**



If you would like your child to have toast each morning at break time a one-off payment will need to be made via the School Gateway App – **No cash to be sent into school.**

This amount is to be paid at the start of each term by a one-off payment.

Please see Gateway App for exact amount due and dates covered.

The current cost is **30p per day.**

The whole amount will need to be paid at start of each half term, and by no later than the last day of their first week back.

If you miss a day due to an appointment, illness, holiday etc. unfortunately the money cannot be carried forward or refunded.

Alternatively please feel free to send them in with their own healthy snack for break time.



## **School Gateway/Parent Payment App**

**Please note – Cash payments are no longer accepted via the school office as we now only operate via a “Cashless Payment System”**

You can now only make online payments to school for trips/sports clubs/uniform etc. via instant bank transfer, credit or debit card using the School Gateway App.

I'm pleased to advise that we offer - 'School Gateway'. This means that you will be able to make online payments via the School Gateway smartphone app or website.

We will notify you by text or email when new items such as school trips or tickets for events are available for payment on School Gateway. You will also be able to give online consent, where required, for your child to take part in activities.

Aside from saving the school time and money on administration, School Gateway will also make it easier for parents to pay any time 24-7 and reduce the amount of cash being carried by children on school premises.

## **What you need to do now:**

1. Ensure school has a correct and current email address for you
2. Ensure school has a correct and current mobile number for you
3. Once your child has been admitted to St Giles you can activate your School Gateway account. It's quick and easy to do. All you need are your email address and mobile number.
  - **Download the free app:** If you have a smartphone, please download School Gateway from your app store (Android and iPhone). The app shows the same information as the website PLUS it saves the school money when we send you a text message.

## **OR**

- Visit the website: [www.schoolgateway.com](http://www.schoolgateway.com) and click on 'New User'. You'll receive a text message with a PIN number. Use this PIN to log into School Gateway.

If you're having trouble logging in, it may be because the school doesn't have your current email and mobile phone number on record. Please call the school and we'll update the details on our system.

We hope that you will find School Gateway to be a fast and easy way to pay for school items.

If you have any issues at all – please pop into the school office.



## School Uniform

Please note the school office only stock the items listed below:

ITEM	DETAILS	PRICE (Each)
Book Backpack <i>(Nursery Only)</i>	Red with school logo	£5.58
Book Bag <i>(Reception + Years 1 - 6)</i>	Red with school logo	£5.10
Baseball Cap	Red with school logo	£4.30
Water Bottle	Clear with school logo	£1.50

**These items are all available for purchase via the School Gateway App**  
*(If you can't see the payment(s), please contact the school office and we can get it added back on for you)*

**ALL OTHER UNIFORM IS AVAILABLE VIA SCHOOL TRENDS WEBSITE:**  
**[WWW.SCHOOLTRENDS.CO.UK](http://WWW.SCHOOLTRENDS.CO.UK)**

**OR**

**From the Stall on Willenhall Market:**

Jumpers/Cardigans- from £9.99

Jumpers/Cardigans- from £11.99 (TRUTEX- Hard Wearing)

### **PE Kit**

T-shirts from £2.50

Shorts from £2.99

Reversible Waterproof Coats (Logo One Side) from £18



# St Giles' C E Primary School

St Giles' C E Primary School, Walsall Street, Willenhall, West Midlands, WV13 2ER

[School Uniform Policy >](#)

## Uniform for St Giles' C E Primary School



Classic Crew Neck Sweatshirt

from £11.55



Classic Sweatcardigan

from £12.80



Essential Sweatshirt

from £10.55



Essential Sweatcardi

from £12.30



PE Kit - Shadow Stripe Shorts

from £17.47



Classic T - Shirt

from £7.55



Shadow Stripe Shorts

from £5.50



PE Bag

from £6.36



Lightweight Jacket

from £18.30



Storm Dry Jacket

from £27.30



Plimsoles with Velcro Fastening

from £6.30

AVAILABLE FROM  
SCHOOL TRENDS  
WEBSITE  
  
PLEASE PLACE ORDER  
DIRECTLY WITH THEM  
  
*(Prices correct at 08.05.24)*

# School Contact Information



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