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# Brentfield Primary School

Children of Today Champions for Tomorrow

## School Uniform Policy

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## 1.Aims

At Brentfield we believe that school uniform plays a valuable role in contributing to the ethos of a school and setting an appropriate tone. We believe that school uniform is important for the following reasons:

This policy aims to:

- To maintain a strong sense of identity, pride and belonging within our school community
- To enable Pupils to not only to identify with but also be seen as a member of the school.
- To promote consistently high standards of behaviour, attitude and dress.
- To reassure parent and carers that the pupils are wearing clothes that are smart and sensible, and helps remove the potential problems that fashion and competition could bring about.
- To respect variations to school uniform if they are directly related to established religious or cultural traditions.
- To avoid unnecessary clothing expense for parents.
- We expect all pupils to follow the dress code.

## 2. Limiting the cost of school uniform

Our school has a duty to make sure that the uniform we require is affordable, in line with statutory guidance from the Department for Education on the cost of school uniform.

We understand that items with distinctive characteristics (such as a school logo) cannot be purchased from a wide range of retailers and that requiring many such items limits parents' ability to 'shop around' for a low price. We have therefore limited the number of items we require with a logo.

We will make sure our uniform:

- Is available at a reasonable cost
- Provides the best value for money for parents/carers

We will do this by:

- Carefully considering whether any items with distinctive characteristics are necessary
- Limiting any items with distinctive characteristics where for example, by only asking that our school jumper is worn over a polo shirt, features the school logo
- Limiting items with distinctive characteristics to low-cost or long-lasting items, such as ties
- Avoiding specific requirements for items pupils could wear on non-school days, such as coats, bags and shoes
- Keeping the number of optional branded items to a minimum, so that the school's uniform can act as a social leveler
- Avoiding different uniform requirements for different year groups
- Avoiding different uniform requirements for extra-curricular activities
- Making sure that arrangements are in place for parents to acquire second-hand uniform items

- Avoiding frequent changes to uniform specifications and minimising the financial impact on parents of any changes
- Consulting with parents and pupils on any proposed significant changes to the uniform policy and carefully considering any complaints about the policy

### 3. Expectations for school uniform

The wearing of school uniform is a key school rule and our uniform code is strongly enforced. The way our pupils present themselves speaks volumes about the expectations of parents and the school. As we all have high expectations, we would like the wearing of uniform to reflect this. The colours identified below are the only colours to be worn. Staff at the school will speak to children who are not wearing the correct uniform and parents will be written to if the uniform rules are not adhered to.

#### 3.1 Our school's uniform

**All uniform must be clearly labeled with your child's name**

<b>Tie *</b>	Year 6 pupils only. <b>(Available from the Uniform Outlet)</b>
<b>Polo Shirt</b>	White short sleeved (only for the Summer Term and September to October half term when the weather is hot)
<b>Dress</b>	Blue and white checked
<b>Trousers</b>	Grey
<b>Shorts</b>	Grey – knee length (only for the Summer Term and September to October half term when the weather is hot)
<b>Skirt</b>	Grey – knee length
<b>Pinafore</b>	Grey – knee length
<b>Jumper/Cardigan *</b>	Grey V Neck knitted jumper <b>(Available from the Uniform Outlet)</b>
<b>Hijabs</b>	Navy Blue  White (Only for Summer Term and September to October half term if weather is hot)
<b>Socks/tights</b>	Socks – white or grey / Tights – Grey
<b>Shoes</b>	Plain black with no visible logos <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- No trainers or fashion shoes</li> <li>- Boots can be worn into school in adverse weather but pupils must then change and wear shoes in school</li> <li>- For Health and Safety reasons we are unable to wear open toed sandals</li> </ul>
<b>Jewellery</b>	Children must only wear a pair of stud earrings and a watch: No hooped earrings, necklaces, rings or bracelets are allowed. No marks/cuts allowed in eyebrows. For health and safety reasons children may not participate in

	PE if wearing earrings. Please ensure they can remove them themselves or do not wear them on the day of PE or swimming.
<b>Hair</b>	The school does not allow extremes of hair fashion i.e. no lines, cuts, patterns, shaved heads, or obvious dyeing of the hair. Hair should look natural. Hair must be kept tidy in the interests of safety (long hair tied back). Please check with the school first if you are unsure.
<b>Coat</b>	Coats are a personal choice. No colour is specific.
<b>Book Bag *</b>	<b>(Available at the Uniform Outlet)</b>
<b>Water Bottle</b>	Reusable water bottle clearly labeled
<b>PE KIT</b>	
<b>T-Shirt *</b>	Plain in house colour <b>(Available at the Uniform Outlet)</b>
<b>Shorts</b>	Plain Navy
<b>Tracksuit *</b>	Navy Blue <b>(Available at the Uniform Outlet)</b>
<b>Trainers</b>	(Clean) for outdoor lessons
<b>Hair</b>	To be tied up during PE lessons
<b>Swimming</b>	Swimming Trunks (Long swimming shorts are not allowed) One-piece swimming costume Swimming hat

### 3.2 Where to purchase it

#### How do I order the new school uniform?

- Where indicated \*uniform is available to purchase online at [www.uniformoutlet.co.uk](http://www.uniformoutlet.co.uk) for click and collect. There is a small charge for deliveries. **All other items are available from supermarkets**
- You can also visit the shop at 1290 Greenford Road, Greenford, UB6 0HH  
20 76 5717
- The school has a small amount of previously owned jumper available. Please see Sam Matthews to see what is in stock.

## 4. Expectations for our school community

### 4.1 Pupils

Pupils are expected to wear the correct uniform at all times (other than specified non-school uniform days) while:

- On the school premises
- Travelling to and from school
- At out-of-school events or on trips that are organised by the school, or where they are representing the school

Pupils are also expected to contact Sam Matthews, Parent Support Manager if they wish to discuss financial difficulties in purchasing school uniform.

## 4.2 Parents and carers

Parents and carers are expected to make sure their child has the correct uniform and PE kit, and that every item is:

- Clean
- Clearly labelled with the child's name
- In good condition

Disputes about the cost of the school uniform will be:

- Dealt with in accordance with our school's complaints policy

## 4.3 Staff

Staff will closely monitor pupils to make sure they are in correct uniform. They will give any pupils and families breaching the uniform policy the opportunity to comply, but will follow up with the headteacher if the situation doesn't improve.

Ongoing breaches of our uniform policy result in parents being called to bring appropriate uniform or the child being a temporary second-hand uniform if available in the school.

In cases where it is suspected that financial hardship has resulted in a pupil not complying with this uniform policy, staff will take a mindful and considerate approach to resolving the situation.

## 4.4 Governors

The governing board will review this policy and make sure that it:

- Is appropriate for our school's context
- Is implemented fairly across the school
- Considers the views of parents and pupils
- Offers a uniform that is appropriate, practical and safe for all pupils

The board will also make sure that the school's uniform supplier arrangements give the highest priority to cost and value for money.

## 5. Racial Equality & Equal Opportunities

All children have equal access to wearing school uniform regardless of their culture, race, religion, gender, disability or ability. We ensure that the set uniform respects other policies and allows for individual sets of circumstances of all groups and individuals. Brentfield Primary School is committed to creating a positive climate that will enable everyone to work free from racial intimidation and harassment and to achieve their full potential.

## 6. Monitoring arrangements

This policy will be reviewed every two years and approved by the Curriculum and Standards Committee.

## **7. Links to other policies**

This policy is linked to our:

- Behaviour policy
- Equality information and objectives statement
- Anti-bullying policy
- Complaints policy