



Uniform Policy

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Little Bears @ Brierley

UNIFORM POLICY

Nurture, Aspire, Believe, Achieve

At Brierley, we are proud to be a nurturing and inclusive school community where every child is encouraged to nurture, aspire, believe and achieve. Our school uniform supports a strong sense of belonging, encourages pride in our community and helps children feel ready to learn. We recognise that every family is different, and this policy has been designed to be affordable, inclusive and practical while maintaining a smart and consistent appearance.

Inclusion and Respect

We are committed to ensuring that our uniform reflects our inclusive values and meets our responsibilities under the Equality Act 2010. We respect religious and cultural dress, including head coverings, and do not define uniform by gender. Children are supported to choose items they feel comfortable in. Where adjustments are needed for personal, cultural, religious or medical reasons, we will work in partnership with families to find an appropriate and supportive solution.

Keeping Uniform Affordable

We recognise that school uniform can be a financial pressure for families and are committed to keeping costs to a minimum. We limit branded items to essential pieces only, allow most clothing to be purchased from supermarkets and high street retailers, and provide access to pre-loved uniform throughout the year. We also avoid making unnecessary changes that would create additional expense.

What Children Wear at Brierley

We keep our uniform simple, practical and comfortable so children can focus on learning and play.

Expectations for school uniform for Early Years Foundation Stage (Reception Class)

In the Early Years Foundation Stage, children require practical clothing that supports active learning and play. As physical activity forms part of the daily routine, children should attend school in their PE kit each day.

They wear:

- A blue Brierley jumper or cardigan with logo
- A white polo shirt
- Blue shorts or navy or blue joggers or leggings
- White socks
- Trainers.

For safety reasons, jewellery, including earrings, should not be worn.



Expectations for school uniform for children in Years 1 to 6

They wear:

- A blue Brierley jumper or cardigan with logo
- A white polo shirt
- Grey trousers, shorts or skirt (No jeans, leggings or tracksuit trousers)
- A blue gingham dress in summer, if preferred
- Plain white, grey, black socks or tights
- Black flat-heeled shoes or completely black trainers (No colours, including soles)



Active and Ready



Physical activity plays an important role in children's wellbeing. On designated PE days, children should come to school wearing their PE kit.

Expectations for PE for Years 1-6 are:

- A blue Brierley jumper or cardigan with logo
- A white t-shirt, plain or with logo
- Blue or navy shorts, or joggers
- Trainers

Ready for All Weather

Outdoor play takes place throughout the year and children should be appropriately dressed for the weather. A warm, waterproof coat is required during colder months, and a sun hat is recommended during warmer weather.

Jewellery and Practicalities

For health and safety reasons, jewellery should not be worn in school. If earrings are worn, they must be small, plain studs only. Children will be required to remove earrings for PE and physical activities. Staff are not permitted to remove or store earrings. We recommend that ear piercing takes place at the start of the summer holidays to allow sufficient healing time.

Long hair should be tied back for safety and hygiene. Makeup, nail varnish, gel nails and false nails are not appropriate for school and should not be worn.

Footwear

All should be safe, secure and suitable for active play. Black flat-heeled shoes or completely black trainers (No colours, including soles).

Getting Uniform

Branded items are available via the SchoolSpider app. All other items can be purchased from supermarkets or high street retailers. The school also runs a termly pre-loved uniform shop to support families.

Working Together

Children are expected to wear their uniform in school, when travelling to and from school trips where required. Parents and carers can support by ensuring that clothing is clean, clearly labelled and in good condition.

Support and Understanding

We take a supportive and understanding approach to uniform. Where a child is not in the correct uniform, we will begin with a gentle reminder and work in partnership with families to resolve any issues, offering support where needed.

Our Commitment

The governing body and leadership team review this policy regularly to ensure it remains fair, inclusive and aligned with the school's values, while continuing to provide good value for families.

A Final Word

Our uniform is not just about what children wear. It is about helping them feel:

- Confident
- Included
- Ready to achieve their best
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By working together, we can ensure every child at Brierley feels proud to belong and ready to succeed.

DfE REFERENCES

This policy has been developed in accordance with guidance from the Department for Education, including:

- School Uniform Guidance (DfE, 2021)
- Equality Act 2010

EQUALITY AND INCLUSION

Brierley Primary School is committed to ensuring that this policy is applied fairly, consistently and without discrimination, in line with the Equality Act 2010.

We recognise and respect the diverse needs of our school community. Adjustments to uniform will be supported where required to meet individual needs, ensuring that all children feel included, comfortable and able to fully participate in school life.

GOVERNOR REVIEW AND MONITORING

The Governing Board holds overall responsibility for ensuring that this policy is implemented effectively and reflects current guidance and best practice.

This policy will be reviewed each year, or sooner if required due to changes in guidance or school context. Governors will monitor its impact to ensure it remains fair, inclusive and supportive of all families.

Chair of Governors	Ratified	Review
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