



School Uniform Policy

Aims and Rationale

We believe that a school uniform is necessary to:

- promote the ethos of the school by ensuring all pupils have an equal access to participation in school life
- providing a sense of belonging and identity
- setting an appropriate tone for education

The school aims to ensure that school uniform is not too expensive and that requirements are not unreasonable. This policy has been revised in light of the statutory guidance Cost of School Uniforms, which can be accessed [here](#).

The requirements for school uniform are stated on our school website [here](#). It should be noted that it is **not** essential for children to wear uniform that has the BHPS logo – this is optional. It is important that children wear items that follow the colour code set out below but, for example, a royal blue jumper can be bought from a variety of outlets and this might save families money.

It should be noted that PE kit is part of the school uniform and the guidance relating to it should be followed closely. At the time of writing, some children wear their PE kit to school on the days when they have PE but the majority should bring their PE kit in a draw string bag to school and get changed into it at school. What they wear should comply with the stated requirements.

Year 6 hoodies are optional and not part of the school uniform. Each year, the school undertakes a 'best value' exercise to establish which supplier might be used. The school aims to support any families who would like a year 6 hoodie but find the cost prohibitive.

Recycled Uniform

The school has a scheme to recycle donated, unwanted or lost uniform. This will be resold at a minimal charge (to cover the cost of washing) by the PTA at the end of each half-term and some special events such as Christmas and Summer Fayres. Collection bins will be placed near the entrance of school at certain times of the year so that parents can donate unwanted uniform.

The school signposts parents and carers to a variety of suppliers, rather than having one single supplier. This approach seeks to ensure that prices remain as low as possible. As stated above, it is also possible to go elsewhere to buy non-branded uniform. For example, plain white T shirts (for PE) or polo shirts can be bought from supermarkets and this can be more cost effective. Possible suppliers of branded uniform are listed on the school website.