



**Brindle St. Joseph's
School Uniform Policy
Date: December 2024
Next review: May 2025**



Mission
Together we love, learn, follow Jesus
Vision
At St Joseph's Catholic Primary School, through an open and generous heart, we learn together as a family in faith, following the gospel values of love.
Values
Hope Thankfulness Collaboration Compassion Friendship Resilience Empathy Creativity Justice Respect

Aims

This policy aims to set out our approach to requiring a uniform that is of reasonable cost and offers the best value for money for parents and carers; whilst in accordance with the Equality Act 2010 does not discriminate on the grounds of sex, religion or belief and sexual orientation.

Our school uniform gives pupils a shared sense of identity. It consists of both branded and non-branded items so that cost is not a barrier to any parents or carers.

In line with statutory guidance from the Department for Education, we have a duty to ensure our uniform is affordable. As a result, we limit the number of items with distinctive characteristics such as branded items which can only be purchased from limited retailers.

Where possible, school will also provide branded kit for sporting events to avoid the need for additional uniform requirements for extra-curricular activities.

To minimise the financial impact, frequent changes to uniform specifications will be avoided.

Nearly-new uniform items are available from the school office for a donation and the PTFA has held second-hand uniform sales in school; both enable items of uniform to be recycled and acquired cheaply.

Expectations

Pupils are expected to:

- Wear the correct uniform at all times (other than on specified non-school uniform days) while on the premises, travelling to and from school and at out-of-school events or trips organised by school or when they are representing school if required.

Parents and carers are expected to:

- Make sure their child has the correct uniform and P.E. kit which is clearly labelled with their child's name.
- If they wish to make an amendment to the Uniform Policy in relation to their child's protected characteristics, they should contact the headteacher, Miss Dewhurst.

Governors will ensure the Uniform Policy is:

- Appropriate for the school's context;
- Implemented fairly
- Takes account of parent and pupil views
- Offers a uniform that is appropriate, practical and safe for all pupils.

Appendix A lists our school uniform. As detailed on the list, items below are the only ones which need to have the school logo on or be school specific. Other items can be purchased from high street stores or supermarkets.



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All pupils

Top-opening traditional book bag or satchel-style bag

Reception to Year Five

Sky blue polo shirt with the school logo

Navy crew neck jumper or cardigan with the school logo

Year Six

School tie

Navy v-neck jumper or cardigan with the school logo

P.E. Kit

Navy dri-cool T-shirt with the school logo

Sky blue hoodie with the school logo

Items containing the school logo can be purchased from Justs Clothing in Penwortham. They can be contacted on 01772 743807 or via info@justsclothing.co.uk



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Appendix A

School Uniform 2024/2025

Only school-approved bags can be brought into the cloakrooms. We have two styles of school bags - a top opening traditional book bag and one that is a satchel-style. Due to storage space, these are the only bags permitted in school.

In the interests of safety, security and uniformity, the only jewellery children can wear is an inexpensive watch. Children must not wear any watch that can take / receive photos or messages. However, a watch that counts steps e.g. a Fitbit can be worn.

Make-up and nail polish are not permitted. Long hair should be tied up at all times and any hairbands must be in school colours and of a very simple design. Tramlines and other artistic shavings are not permitted in children's hair.

Reception to Year Five

Girls:

Navy blue A-line skirt/pinafore or grey trousers
Sky blue polo shirt (with the school logo)
Navy tights or white socks
Navy crew neck jumper or cardigan with the school logo
Flat black shoes (no boots or trainers)

Boys:

Grey trousers
Sky blue polo shirt (with the school logo)
Grey socks
Navy crew neck jumper with the school logo
Black shoes (no boots or trainers)

Year Six

Girls:

Navy blue A-line skirt/pinafore or grey trousers
Blue shirt and school tie
Navy tights or white socks
Navy v-neck jumper or cardigan with the school logo
Flat black shoes (no boots or trainers)

Boys:

Grey trousers
Blue shirt and school tie
Grey socks
Navy v-neck jumper with the school logo
Black shoes (no boots or trainers)

In the warmer months, particularly after Easter, girls may wear blue gingham dresses and boys grey shorts



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P.E. Kit

All children need an indoor and outdoor kit throughout the year. P.E. kit should be either brought into school on a Monday and kept in the cloakroom until Friday, or brought in on P.E. days. You will be notified in advance of your child's P.E. days.

Indoor kit

Shadow striped navy shorts*
Navy dri-cool T-shirt with the school logo
Trainers

***Year 5 & Year 6** pupils **only** can wear appropriate navy cycling shorts, these must be no shorter than mid-thigh length, navy leggings can also be worn.

Outdoor Kit (In addition to the above items)

Plain navy track pants or long leggings
Sky blue hoodie with the school logo

Please note, other sports or activity wear is not part of our school uniform.

Forest School Kit

Throughout the school year, pupils have the opportunity to use our Forest School area. You will be notified in advance of which day / dates your child will be using this outside space. If they are in Forest School, pupils can come to school wearing the appropriate clothing as detailed below; they should also bring a change of footwear and a bag to take any dirty footwear home.

Waterproof coat with a hood; long-sleeved top and long trousers (not T-shirt and shorts); old trainers, Wellington boots or any footwear suitable for muddy paths.

Please do not buy anything new, old or playing out clothes are ideal!

Swimming Kit

You will be informed in advance if your child will be having swimming lessons.

Girls:

One piece swimming costume (no bikinis or two-piece costumes)
Swimming hat
Towel

Boys:

Swimming trunks (not swimming shorts)
Swimming hat
Towel

Goggles are only permitted for medical reasons and children must have the reason in writing as to why they are necessary.

Please can we ask you to put names in every item of uniform which comes into school including coats, as well as P.E. and Forest School kits and footwear. Thank you.

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