



Learning for Life

Fawbert & Barnard's Primary School

Uniform Policy

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As required

As well as being practical and smart, we believe that a sensible uniform policy will reinforce a positive learning environment as well as promote a unified school spirit and inspire a sense of pride in Fawbert & Barnard's Primary School.

It is our policy that all children wear uniform that complies with this policy when attending or representing our school in an organised event, either during or outside normal school hours.

The uniform policy does not include any significant change(s) to the requirements of clothing items, but it does provide important clarifications of what is appropriate with regards to other items such as bags, shoes/trainers and jewellery etc.

The Role of Parents/Carers

We expect all parents/carers who send their children to Fawbert & Barnard's Primary School to ensure that they comply with the requirements of the school's uniform policy. Parents/carers are also expected to send their children to school in clothing that is clean, well-fitting and well-presented.

School Uniform Suppliers

Parents/carers may choose to purchase items of school uniform with or without the school logo. However, we do strongly encourage children to have at least one jumper/cardigan and P.E t-shirt, with the school logo in order that they can be easily identified as a member of our School at external events such as school trips or sports events.

All uniform items can be sourced from multiple best value shops and, for non-logo items, the School does not recognise or endorse a particular supplier. **For parents/carers who do wish to purchase items with the School logo on them, our branded supplier is Top Form located at The Stow, Harlow and items are also available from UES and School Trends via our website.**

Pre-loved uniform items

We support the use of pre-loved items. Good condition school uniform items that are no longer required can be donated to the Friends. These items will be available to purchase for a small amount from regular Friend's stalls, set up throughout the year.

School Uniform items

- Navy cardigan / jumper (optional with logo in white)
- Navy fleece (optional) with logo in white
- White shirt/ blouse or Polo top (optional with logo in blue)
- Grey or Navy trousers
- Grey or Navy skirt or pinafore dress
- Navy, grey or white tights / socks
- Black school shoes or plain black trainers - All school shoes should have a buckle, laces, Velcro or elastic straps and not be open toed for health and safety reasons. Black ankle boots with a low heel are the only boots allowed.
- Light blue school dress, checked or striped
- Jumpsuits in light blue can be worn but pupils must be able to remove them for PE lessons, unaided
- Grey or Navy school shorts
- Book bag or small rucksack

School P.E Kit items

At Fawbert and Barnard's Primary School, we have PE on Mondays and Fridays for Years 1 to 6. On Monday's and Friday's, children must come to school in their PE uniform dressed appropriately for the weather conditions for the whole day. EYFS will have a different day, depending on the class teacher's decision and time of the year – please visit the class page for details on when EYFS must come to school in PE clothing. The PE Kits consists of:

- Navy shorts
- White polo shirts – optional with logo
- Navy jogging bottoms and sweatshirt or
- Navy tracksuit with school logo optional (no hoods)
- Plimsolls or trainers (for outside activities)

Hoods are a potential risk hazard during sporting events such as tag rugby, football and other PE sessions, therefore, children will need to ensure their tracksuits do not have a hood. Children may wish to wear their school jumpers/cardigans.

During extreme cold weathers, PE will be either moved into the hall or changed to a different point in the day to ensure children are still able to take part in PE. Children should wear layers to help keep warm during the winter periods. During the summer, children should have suncream on and hats when taking part in PE sessions outside.

P.E. Trainers

To support parents/carers financially, we recognise the benefits of children having one pair of trainers for combined use at home and for School P.E. days. **Therefore, we do not require P.E. trainers to be black or plain in design in the same way as shoes worn as part of school uniform.** However, trainers must still be suitable for physical education so must be comfortable for full day wear, protective for active feet/use in games/sports and have no parts that could harm children/distract children from learning, such as lights.

Brand Logos and Slogans

- Jumpers, cardigans, shirts & blouses must not have visible named branded logos.
- Logos on black shoes/black trainers/black ankle boots worn as part of our school uniform, must be in black.
- Other name branded items of clothing are acceptable as long as the logo is small and inconspicuous. However, larger prominent logos and slogans are not permitted.

Footwear explained

We want our children's feet to be healthy, therefore, all pupils must wear well-fitting shoes with an appropriate low heel. Boots above the ankle are NOT allowed. On bad weather days if your child wears wellington/snow boots to school they must remember to bring their school shoes to change into.

Bags

All children will be required to have a school bag, brought to school each day. Due to limited storage space, we ask parents to purchase sensibly sized bags appropriate to the requirements for their child's school use. We do have a logo bag available from Top Form but this is optional.

Jewellery explained

For health and safety reasons we do not allow children to wear jewellery to school, with an exception being made for:

- simple watches that only tell time and do not distract the child/other children from their learning
- small objects of religious significance. It is essential that children are able to remove any permitted item(s) of jewellery by themselves for P.E. lessons, to prevent any potential injuries from occurring. Parents should also be aware that temporary tattoos, nail varnish and make-up are not permitted in school.

Hats & Caps

These can be worn when outdoors, but we ask that they are suitable for the intended use and must not be of a design that could cause a safety issue or have prominent messages/slogans.

Hair

Fawbert & Barnard's recognises that there are different hair types, and that to treat them all the same is discriminatory and that hair can be part of someone's culture and identity. Fawbert & Barnard's is sensitive to the needs of different cultures, races and religions and act reasonably in accommodating these needs.

Where hair is long enough to do so, for health and safety reasons, children are required to tie hair up with a plain hair band in keeping with the school colours. If wearing other required hair accessories, these should also be plain and in keeping with the school colours. Hair accessories with large bows or decorations are not allowed.

Headscarves/hijab

These may be worn for religious reasons but must be plain and in keeping with the school colours. These must also be removed during P.E. lessons, unless the Headteacher has given permission following consultation with the parent/carer.

Lost Property

All items of clothing should be labelled with your child's name, as the school cannot accept responsibility for any articles lost or damaged on the school premises.