



The Laurels
PRIMARY SCHOOL

SCHOOL UNIFORM POLICY

For all children at The Laurels

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Purpose

This policy sets out the school's expectations for pupil uniform and explains how The Laurels Primary School meets the Department for Education's statutory guidance on the cost of school uniforms. It aims to ensure that pupils are smart, safe and ready to learn whilst ensuring uniform remains affordable for families.

When setting and reviewing this policy, the Local Governing Board has had regard to the Department for Education's statutory guidance on the cost of school uniforms.

Principles

The Laurels Primary School believes that a school uniform:

- Promotes a sense of belonging and pride in the school.
- Supports equality amongst pupils.
- Is practical, smart and appropriate for school life.
- Should remain affordable for all families.

The school aims to keep the cost of uniform to a minimum by:

- Limiting the number of compulsory branded items.
- Allowing parents and carers to purchase generic uniform items from a retailer of their choice.
- Making second-hand uniform available to families.
- Regularly reviewing the cost and availability of uniform items.

Supporting Families with School Uniform

- The school is committed to helping families access affordable school uniform.
- Good quality second-hand uniform is available through the school. Families wishing to access second-hand uniform should contact the school office.
- Where possible, compulsory branded items are also made available through our second-hand uniform provision.
- Parents and carers are encouraged to donate outgrown uniform items in good condition to support other families within the school community.
- Information regarding second-hand uniform sales and availability will be shared through the school newsletter and website.

Families experiencing financial difficulty are encouraged to contact the school in confidence if they require support with obtaining school uniform.

Compulsory and Optional Branded Items

The school has deliberately limited the number of compulsory branded items. The compulsory branded items are listed below and are also highlighted in green within the uniform tables. These items help promote a sense of belonging, create a consistent school identity and allow staff to identify pupils easily during school activities and educational visits.

Compulsory branded items

Reception to Year 2	Years 3 to 6
School sweatshirt/cardigan with school logo	School jumper/cardigan with school logo
Green PE T-shirt with logo	Green PE T-shirt with logo
Book bag	School tie

Optional branded items

All other uniform items may be purchased from a retailer of the parent's choice, provided they meet the school's colour and style requirements. The following branded items are available but are not compulsory:

- Rucksack (Years 3-6 only)
- Reversible jacket
- Baseball cap
- Beanie hat.

Early Years & Key Stage 1 (Reception, Year 1 and 2)

Winter uniform	Summer uniform	PE Kit
Forest green sweatshirt or cardigan with logo	Forest green sweatshirt or cardigan with logo	Green PE T-shirt with logo
Grey skirt or trousers	Green and white checked dress. Grey skirt/trousers or shorts	Black shorts
White polo shirt	White polo shirt	Winter – dark coloured tracksuit bottoms (minimal logos only)
White, grey or black socks Grey or green tights	White, grey or black socks	Winter - black jumper with or without school logo (minimal logos only)
Black flat shoes (not boots)	Black flat shoes (not boots)	Black trainers

- Children arrive to school wearing PE kit on PE days.
- Hair accessories should be green, white, brown or black and not excessively large.

Key Stage 2 (Year 3 to 6)

Following consultation with pupils, the Key Stage 2 uniform reflects the children's preference for a smart uniform that helps prepare them for secondary school while creating a sense of belonging.

Winter uniform	Summer uniform	PE Kit
Forest green V neck woollen jumper or cardigan with logo	Forest green V neck woollen jumper or cardigan with logo	Green PE T-shirt with logo
Grey skirt or trousers	Green and white checked dress. Grey skirt/trousers or shorts	Black shorts
White cotton button up collared shirt	White cotton button up collared shirt	Winter – dark coloured tracksuit bottoms (minimal logos only)
School tie	School tie	Winter - black jumper with or without school logo (minimal logos only)
White, grey or black socks Grey or green tights	White, grey or black socks	Black trainers
Black flat shoes	Black flat shoes	

- Children arrive to school wearing PE kit on PE days.
- Hair accessories should be green, white, brown or black and not excessively large.

Please ensure that all clothing and personal belongings are clearly labelled with your child's first and last name.

Each half term, please check that PE kit and plimsolls/trainers still fit your child.

We recommend Stikins name labels as they simply stick on with no sewing or ironing required. If you choose to purchase them, please use the school's fundraising code **23237**. This does not increase the cost to families and helps raise valuable funds for the school. <https://www.stikins.co.uk>

- All pupils are expected to be in **full uniform** each day and wearing PE kit on PE days.
- Hairstyles should be neat, safe and appropriate for the school environment. Hair longer than shoulder length should be tied up for safety reasons. The school reserves the right to discuss any hairstyle that may present a health and safety concern or significantly disrupt the learning environment.
- Religious observance: Head coverings should be plain black or green.
- Nail varnish, false nails and/or nail art are not to be worn.
- During PE lessons, children are required to remove all items of jewellery. This includes earrings and watches. Earring tape is not considered acceptable to cover piercings, the earring must be taken out.
- For safety reasons, only one pair of small (<3mm) plain metal (Silver or Gold) stud earrings can be worn. No other jewellery is allowed. Jewellery that does not comply with this policy may be removed for safekeeping and returned to a parent or carer at the end of the school day.

Suppliers

The school regularly reviews its uniform supplier arrangements to ensure that families receive good value for money and that branded items remain affordable and readily available. The School Uniform can be purchased from the following suppliers:

Broadwater Sports

37 Broadwater Street West

To order online: www.schooljumpers.co.uk

Worthing BN14 9BY

Tel: (01903) 234589

Opening Hours: Monday to Saturday 9.00am - 5.30pm

Jumpers	Book bag	Black sports shorts
Cardigans	PE T-Shirt	Baseball caps
Sweatshirts	Rucksack	Beanie hats
Ties	Reversible jackets	

Parents are encouraged to order early, particularly during the summer holidays, to ensure uniform is available before the start of term.

Supermarkets and other clothing stores

- Grey trousers, shorts and skirts
- Green gingham summer dresses
- White polo shirts
- White school shirts
- Black sensible school shoes – no trainers or open toe shoes/sandals for safety reasons
- Black PE shorts

From School Only

- Water bottles (optional)
- Ties (compulsory for Years 3-6)

The Local Governing Board will review this policy at least every two years and will consider the affordability, availability and sustainability of school uniform when undertaking the review.