



The Flourish Federation

School Uniform Policy

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Introduction

It is the policy of the Flourish federation that all children wear uniform when at the schools, or when as requested when participating in federation-organised events outside of the normal school hours. We ask children to take pride in their personal appearance. Some items can be bought from the schools whilst others are easily available at the local shops or online. A complete list of the items needed for the uniform, including those for PE, is available from the school offices.

Aims and objectives

Our policy on the uniform is based on the belief that uniform:

- Promotes a sense of pride in the schools.
- Helps to create a sense of community and belonging towards the schools.
- Identifies the children with the schools.
- Supports our commitment towards inclusion.
- Prevents children from wearing unsuitable items.
- Is practical, smart and designed with health and safety in mind.
- Is considered good value for money.

Jewellery, Hair ornaments, make up and nail varnish

For health and safety reasons, we do not allow children to wear jewellery. The exception to this rule is earring studs for pierced ears and small objects of agreed religious significance. Children are required to remove any items during PE lessons to prevent them from causing injury. Teachers are not permitted to remove earrings.

Hair bands should not have large flowers or bows attached as this can interrupt the view of the board for other pupils.

Make up and nail varnish should not be worn to the schools unless it is for an out of hours function or specific dress-up day agreed with the federation.

Extreme hairstyles are not appropriate for the schools. The use of styling products should be kept to a minimum and children should not have decorative patterns cut into their hair or have hair coloured or dyed unless it is for an out of hours function or specific dress-up day agreed with the federation. Long hair should be tied back for the purposes of health and safety, and to also minimise occurrences of the transfer of head lice.



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Footwear

For health and safety reasons we do not allow children to wear shoes with platform soles or high heels. All children are expected to wear plain shoes (preferably black) or black trainers with no/minimal logos. They may wear boots but these must not prevent the child from sitting comfortably on the floor and if they are too big they may be asked to wear their PE shoes whilst inside the building. Open-ended shoes should not be worn for the purposes of health and safety.

The role of parents

We believe that one of the responsibilities of parents is to ensure that their child has the correct uniform and PE kit, and that it is clean, in good repair and that the child's name is marked on them. If a parent has difficulties for any reason with fulfilling this request, they are asked to speak confidentially to a member of the SLT. Parents should be assured that we will do all we can to help.

Children who arrive at school wearing non-school uniform will be loaned an appropriate item for them to wear. The same system will apply for those who do not have a PE kit - Parents will be contacted by the class teacher in these instances.

If it is for religious reasons that a child is wearing clothes that differ from the school uniform the schools will consider such requests sympathetically.

If any parent would like to request a modification to the uniform policy they should contact the headteachers and submit a formal request for consideration.

The role of governors

The Flourish Federation Governing Body supports the headteachers in implementing the school uniform policy. It considers all representations from parents regarding the uniform policy and liaises with the headteachers to ensure that the policy is implemented fairly and with sensitivity.

It is the governors' responsibility to ensure that the school uniform meets all regulations concerning equal opportunities. Governors ensure that the school uniform policy enables children to dress sensibly, in clothing that is hardwearing and practical.



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Monitoring and review

The Flourish Federation Governing Body monitors and reviews the school uniform policy by:

- Seeking the views of parents to ensure they agree and support the policy.
- Considering with the headteachers any requests from parents from individual children to have a special dispensation with regard to school uniform.



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School Uniform List

The school uniform colours is different for each school in the federation. The junior school is Royal Blue and the infant school is Bottle Green.

Most items can be bought from www.myclothing.com (infants) and www.pages-schoolwear.co.uk (juniors).

In winter, jogging bottoms and jumpers may be worn for PE.

Brookfield Infant School

- Bottle green sweatshirt, plain or with school logo
- White polo shirt, plain or with school logo
- Bottle green cardigan, plain or with school logo
- Green check dresses for the summer
- Grey trousers or grey shorts
- Grey skirt, grey trousers, shorts or grey pinafore
- Coat suitable to the time of year
- Book bag with school logo

For PE

- White t-shirt, plain, with school logo or RED TED t-shirt (awarded in school for reading)
- PE bag, plain or with school logo
- Black PE shorts
- Trainers or plimsolls
- In winter jogging bottoms and jumpers may be worn

Also available

- Sun hats, beanies, art aprons, logo coats.



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Brookfield Junior School

- Royal blue sweatshirt, plain or with school logo
- Royal blue cardigan, plain or with school logo
- Blue polo shirt, or the Pages Blue Polo shirt, plain or with school logo.
- Royal blue check dresses for the summer
- Black trousers or black shorts (Black is preferred, though grey is accepted)
- Black skirt, black trousers, shorts or black pinafore (Black is preferred, though grey is accepted)
- Coat suitable to the time of year

For PE

- Plain white t-shirt or house-colour top
- PE bag
- Black PE shorts
- Trainers or plimsolls
- In winter jogging bottoms, jumpers or plain tracksuits may be worn