



BELMONT PRIMARY SCHOOL

UNIFORM POLICY

2026

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1. Rationale

Belmont Primary School has a simple school uniform which provides pupils with practical and suitable clothing for the school day and promotes a sense of belonging to the school community.

The school is committed to ensuring that its uniform is **affordable, accessible and inclusive**. Cost and value for money are important considerations and uniform requirements will be kept as straightforward as possible.

The school does **not** require any item of uniform or PE kit to carry the Belmont Primary School logo. Branded items bearing the school logo are available for parents and carers who wish to purchase them, but these are entirely optional and equivalent plain items are equally acceptable.

The school will have regard to the Department for Education's statutory guidance on the cost of school uniforms when reviewing and implementing this policy.

2. School Uniform

Pupils should wear:

- grey or black trousers, skirt, shorts or pinafore dress;
- a white polo shirt;
- a burgundy sweatshirt, cardigan or jumper;
- black, grey or white socks or tights; and
- plain black sensible school shoes or plain black trainers.

During warmer weather, pupils may also wear a red and white gingham dress.

All of these items may be purchased from any retailer. **No school logo is required.**

During periods of poor weather, pupils may wear appropriate boots to travel to and from school but should change into suitable indoor footwear on arrival where necessary.

Uniform should be practical, comfortable and appropriate for normal school activities.

3. PE Kit

Pupils should wear:

- a plain white T-shirt or polo shirt;
- plain black or navy shorts or leggings;
- suitable sports socks; and
- plimsolls or trainers (we do find that trainers are most appropriate).

During colder weather, pupils may also wear a sweatshirt and jogging or tracksuit bottoms. A school jumper may be worn for PE where appropriate.

Replica football shirts and similar sports tops are not part of the school PE kit, although they may be permitted for particular extra-curricular activities or events.

Pupils normally wear their PE kit to school on days when PE is taught. In EYFS, pupils change for PE as part of developing their independence and self-care skills.

Where specialist equipment is required for a particular sport or school team, for example shin pads, parents and carers will be informed.

4. Affordability and Purchasing Uniform

The school aims to keep the cost of uniform as low as reasonably possible.

There are **no compulsory branded items** of Belmont uniform. Parents and carers may therefore purchase suitable generic uniform and PE clothing from any retailer.

Optional uniform bearing the Belmont Primary School logo may be purchased from the school's nominated supplier. Details of current suppliers and purchasing arrangements will be published on the school website.

Parents and carers are encouraged to consider the quality, durability and value for money of items when purchasing uniform.

The school will avoid making unnecessary changes to its uniform requirements and will give parents and carers reasonable notice where a change is necessary.

Parents or carers experiencing difficulty meeting the cost of school uniform are encouraged to contact the school confidentially so that appropriate support can be considered.

5. Second-hand Uniform

The school recognises that good-quality second-hand uniform can help to reduce costs for families and support sustainability.

Friends of Belmont (FoB) regularly make second-hand uniform available for purchase, including at school performances where uniform sales may take place alongside the sale of refreshments.

Additional second-hand uniform sales are held on an **ad-hoc basis throughout the school year**. These are advertised to parents and carers in advance through the school's usual communication channels.

Parents and carers are encouraged to donate clean, good-quality items of uniform that their children have outgrown.

Information about how families can access second-hand uniform will also be made available on the school website and via our usual communication methods.

6. Jewellery

For reasons of safety, jewellery should not normally be worn in school.

Pupils may wear:

- small, plain stud earrings; and
- a wristwatch.

Earrings and watches must be removed for PE and swimming where required for safety.

Staff are not permitted to remove earrings on behalf of pupils.

Where earrings cannot be removed, the school will follow appropriate safety guidance for the activity concerned. This may include covering earrings with skin-safe tape where this provides an appropriate level of protection, or adapting the pupil's participation where necessary.

The school cannot accept responsibility for the loss of or damage to jewellery or watches brought onto the premises.

7. Hair, Make-up and Appearance

Hair should be appropriate and safe for school activities. Long hair should be tied back where necessary for safety using suitable, functional accessories.

Make-up and nail varnish should not normally be worn by primary-aged pupils in school.

The school expects pupils' appearance to be appropriate for the school environment. Any individual circumstances relating to religion or belief, disability, medical or sensory needs, or other protected characteristics will be considered appropriately and in accordance with the school's duties under equality legislation.

8. Individual Needs and Equality

The school will apply its uniform policy fairly and reasonably.

Reasonable adjustments will be considered for pupils with disabilities, medical conditions or sensory needs. The school will also consider requests relating to religion or belief and other circumstances protected by equality legislation.

Parents and carers should contact the Headteacher where an adjustment to the uniform requirements may be needed.

The school will seek to resolve such requests sensitively and proportionately, taking account of the needs of the individual pupil, safety requirements and the school's legal obligations.

9. Non-compliance

The school expects pupils to wear the agreed uniform and will work constructively with pupils and families where this is not the case.

Staff will consider the reasons for non-compliance before taking action. **A pupil will not be prevented from attending school simply because their family is experiencing difficulty obtaining or providing the correct uniform.**

Where there are persistent concerns, the school will work with parents and carers to identify an appropriate solution. Any response to deliberate or persistent non-compliance will be reasonable and proportionate and will be considered alongside the school's Behaviour Policy.

10. Lost Property

Parents and carers are strongly encouraged to clearly name all items of clothing and personal property.

Lost-property facilities are available within both the EYFS/KS1 and KS2 buildings. Reasonable opportunities will be provided for lost items to be reclaimed.

Unclaimed items may periodically be recycled, donated for second-hand uniform use or otherwise disposed of as appropriate.

11. Mobile Phones and Valuable Items

Pupils should not bring unnecessary valuable items to school.

Where it is necessary for a pupil to bring a mobile phone to school, it must be handed to the school office for safe keeping during the school day and collected at the appropriate time.

The school cannot accept responsibility for the loss of or damage to valuable items unnecessarily brought onto the school premises.

12. Monitoring and Review

The governing board is responsible for approving the school's uniform requirements.

This policy will be reviewed annually, or sooner where there are changes to relevant legislation or Department for Education guidance.

When reviewing the policy, the school will have regard to affordability, accessibility, equality, practicality and the views of pupils and parents/carers where appropriate.