



Brabyns Preparatory School Uniform Policy & Guide

1. Introduction

1.1 It is School policy that all children wear school uniform when attending school, or when participating in a school-organised event outside normal school hours. This details what the children are expected to wear. Other non-regulation items should not be worn except in exceptional circumstances.

1.2 The uniform policy is discussed with the children (as appropriate for their age) at the start of, and during, the year.

1.3 The policy may be adapted during a school year for various reasons. Discretion will be used in these kinds of situations when dealing with any matter.

1.4 Summer uniform is worn from September until October half term and again after the Easter holidays. Summer uniform consists of a choice of shorts or a summer dress for all children - with blazer & jumper/cardigan.

2. Aims and Objectives

2.1 Our policy on school uniform is based on the notion that school uniform:

- promotes a sense of pride in the school;
- engenders a sense of community and belonging towards the school;
- is practical and smart;
- identifies the children with the school;
- prevents children from coming to school in fashion clothes that could be distracting in class;
- makes children feel equal to their peers in terms of appearance;
- is regarded as suitable wear for school and good value for money by most parents;
- is designed with health and safety in mind.

3. Jewellery

3.1 On health and safety grounds, we do not allow children to wear jewellery in school, with the exception of a simple analogue watch and simple stud earrings. Children will be asked to remove any non regulation jewellery worn in school & earrings must be removed or taped up for all sports.



4. Footwear

4.1 Shoes

Children are to wear black, polished school shoes. It can be dangerous for children to wear shoes that have platform soles, high heels, 'soft flat style' slip-on shoes or 'open-toed' sandals, therefore we do not allow children to wear such shoes in school. Trainers are not to be worn in place of school shoes.

School shoes with laces (and trainers for P.E.) are only be worn if the children can tie these themselves. If wearing 'laces' they should always be tied and not tucked inside the shoe / trainer.

4.2 Trainers

Trainers are required for P.E. lessons and Sports. Children may not be able to take part in P.E. sessions in school shoes as they do not offer adequate support to the feet during sport.

5. P.E. Kit

5.1 Our policy is based on the notion that the P.E. kit is practical and smart and is designed with health and safety in mind. All children are to wear the correct sports kit when attending school, or when participating in a school-organised sports event outside normal school hours. School (grey) socks and blazers should not be worn with the P.E. kit.

5.2 Indoor / Outdoor kit

The standard school kit for children comprises a navy top and shorts / skort. This kit is classed as the "indoor" kit and is required at every lesson. These items are also combined with white sports socks and sports trainers. It is school policy for the children to do gymnastics and dance barefoot as it is far safer when using apparatus. Also, as the floor in the hall is dry, the chance of cross infection of verrucas is minimal. If they have verrucas already children will still take part and the verruca should be covered with a large waterproof plaster. For health and safety reasons, children will not normally be allowed to do gymnastics or dance in tracksuit trousers but must wear shorts or a skort.

The "outdoor" kit is the same as above but combined with the BPS regulation navy midlayer



tracksuit top & bottoms. The children may wear plain, navy skins under their P.E. kit.

Shin pads and mouthguards are compulsory for Year 5 & 6 sport. Your child will not be able to participate in some sports without these items.

Swimming trunks/ costumes must be navy blue. The navy Brabyns swimming cap is mandatory for all children.

5.3. P.E. Days

On allocated PE days the children may arrive and stay in their PE Kits for the whole day.

House T-shirts and Hoodies should only be worn instead of normal P.E. kit when told to do so (e.g. for a house event) or in an emergency.

School Match shirts should only be worn on match days when representing the school in a fixture.

6. Other Notes

6.1 Blazers

If in uniform children are to arrive at and leave school wearing their blazer. During the winter months the blazer is to be worn under their school coat. Blazers are not to be worn over PE Kit

Children are to have their shirts tucked in at all times.

6.2 Blazer Badges

Children should only wear School awarded badges on blazer, and wear them every day (and should not stick other stickers on top of their badge)

- *Year 6 Roles of Responsibility Badges & House Badges on the left hand blazer lapel*
- *Other School badges on the right hand lapel.*

6.3 School Caps, Hats and Bags

The School baseball cap (summer) and blue woolly hat (winter) are the only head wear permitted. The cap is only to be worn as protection from the sun and not for general wear. All children from Reception to Year 6 will require a BPS PE / swim bag, book bag and rucksack. Nursery children will require the BPS PE bag and book bag.



6.4 Hair

The School does not permit children to have 'extreme' haircuts (e.g. brightly coloured, tram lines, shaved heads, etc.) that could serve as a distraction to other children. Hair should look neat and well kept at all times. For health and safety and hygiene reasons, long hair should be tied back so it does not get in the child's way and not get caught in anything. Hair ties, clips and bobbles are to be in school colours: navy blue or white.

6.5 Cosmetics

Children are not permitted to wear make-up, nail varnish or transfers/ tattoos when in School.

6.6 Ties & Laces

Elasticated ties are suitable for the younger pupils. By the time the children enter the Juniors, they should be tying their own School tie. The same criteria applies to lace up shoes/trainers; children must be able to tie these independently before permitting them to wear them.

6.7 House T-shirt & Hoodies

These are required for House & Sports events. We will communicate with parents as to when children should wear their House T-shirt (all children from Reception upwards need one) and / or House Hoodies.

6.8 Optional items

Please feel free to decide for yourselves, if you would like to purchase these items.

7. The Role of Parents

7.1 We ask all parents to support the school uniform policy. We believe that parents have a duty to help ensure their children are correctly dressed, and ready for their daily schoolwork. All clothing and accessories must be clearly labelled with the child's name.

7.2 If there are reasons, for example on medical or religious grounds, why parents require their child to wear clothes that differ from the school uniform; the school would be understanding of such circumstances.



8. Monitoring & Review

8.1 The school monitors and reviews the uniform policy by:

- seeking the views of parents, to ensure that they agree with and support the policy;
- considering any requests from parents for individual children to have special dispensation with regard to School uniform;
- taking into consideration pupil voice

9. Hydrate to Concentrate

We believe in ensuring the children are able to drink water as and when they need it, to ensure they are hydrated, and to aid their concentration. Consequently the children are asked to bring a refillable water bottle into school - preferably in their house colour and clearly named.

Nursery children are provided with a bottle that is kept in school and sterilised daily.

10. Uniform Supplier

[Monkhouse Schoolwear Specialists](#) provides the children at Brabyns Preparatory School with a comprehensive range of uniform, sportswear and accessories; ensuring consistently smart children and the convenience of online or instore purchase for busy parents.

11. Nearly New Uniform

We also sell some 'nearly new' uniforms. These are of a good standard and all proceeds go to the Parent Society to help fund future events and special purchases for the children.

Please contact the School Office for further details or complete the [Nearly New Uniform Google Request Form](#) and a member of the Parent Society will be in touch regarding your order.



Nursery Uniform Guide

ITEM	NOTES	AVAILABLE FROM:
Navy Winter Coat	BPS Regulation	Monkhouse
Formal Uniform Option:		
Blazer	BPS Regulation	Monkhouse
Pale blue shirt		High street store
Tie - elasticated / clip on	BPS Regulation	Monkhouse
Grey School trousers or shorts or tunic		High street store
Blue & White Striped Summer Dress (with plain white socks)	Summer Term & October Half Term	Monkhouse
Black school shoes – <i>Velcro fastening</i>		High street store
Navy cardigan / jumper	BPS Regulation	Monkhouse
ALL NEED: either as PE kit or to wear to school daily		
School polo shirt (pale blue)	BPS Regulation	Monkhouse
Navy sports shorts		High street store
Navy School sweatshirt	BPS Regulation	Monkhouse
Navy jogging bottoms /leggings		Monkhouse High Street Store
Navy sports socks	BPS Regulation	Monkhouse
Trainers		High street store
Black PE pumps for indoor PE	Kept in school	High street store
Brabyns Book Bag		Monkhouse
Brabyns Drawstring PE Bag		Monkhouse
Optional		
Navy Brabyns winter hat		Monkhouse
Navy Brabyns Cap		Monkhouse
Navy gloves		High street store
Navy scarf		High street store
Navy hair accessories		High street store Monkhouses



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Navy winter coat	BPS Regulation	Monkhouse
Blazer	BPS Regulation	Monkhouse
Pale Blue Shirt		High Street stores
Tie (elasticated /clip on R-Y2, Non Elasticated Juniors)	BPS Regulation	Monkhouse
Navy jumper/cardigan	BPS Regulation	Monkhouse
Grey trousers, shorts, pinafore or skirt		Monkhouses High Street stores
Grey long socks	BPS Regulation	Monkhouse
Grey tights		High street store
Black leather shoes - <i>Lace up shoes only allowed if the child can tie them independently.</i>	Which can be polished	High Street stores
Blue & white striped summer dress (with plain white socks)	Summer Term & October Half Term	Monkhouse
Navy winter hat	BPS Regulation	Monkhouse
Navy cagoule	Kept in school	High street store
Navy waterproof trousers	Y1-4 - kept in school	High street store
Wellingtons	Y1-4 – kept in school	High street store
Navy rucksack	BPS Regulation	Monkhouse
Navy Book Bag	BPS Regulation	Monkhouse
House T-Shirt	BPS Regulation	Monkhouse
House Hoodie	BPS Regulation	Monkhouse
Navy school baseball cap	BPS Regulation	Monkhouse
Sports Kit:		
Navy PE bag (x2)	BPS Regulation	Monkhouse
Navy PE top	BPS Regulation	Monkhouse
Navy PE shorts or skort	BPS Regulation	Monkhouse
Navy & White long sports socks	BPS Regulation	Monkhouse
Navy PE midlayer <i>top / tracksuit trousers</i>	BPS Regulation	Monkhouse
Trainers		High street store
Navy swim shorts / swimsuit (no logos)		Monkhouses High street store
Navy swim cap	BPS Regulation	Monkhouse
Navy base layer/skins		High street store
Optional		
Plain Navy gloves / scarf		High street store
Navy / white hair accessories		High street store