

# BEREWOOD PRIMARY SCHOOL



## Uniform and Equipment Policy

**Autumn 2023**

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<b>Responsible Person</b>	Headteacher
<b>Responsible Committee</b>	Full governing body
<b>Ratified by GB</b>	Autumn 2023
<b>Next Review</b>	Autumn 2026



## **BEREWOOD PRIMARY SCHOOL**

### **A distinctive vision**

At Berewood Primary School we see education as a journey of discovery to fire the imagination, to establish a sense of self, and to gain the confidence to take full part in the wider world.

### **An ethos of local partnership**

Berewood Primary School and the University of Chichester Academy Trust share the belief that education has the power to transform society. Our school is deeply rooted in its locality and encourages the involvement and interest of parents and the community, recognising that strong and vibrant communities have partnership and inclusion at their heart.

## UNIFORM AND EQUIPMENT POLICY

### UNIFORM POLICY

#### Aims and objectives

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

- promotes a sense of pride in our school;
- helps to create a sense of community and belonging towards the school;
- identifies the children with the school;
- supports our commitment to inclusion;
- prevents children from wearing 'fashion clothes' that could be distracting in class;
- is practical, smart and designed with health and safety in mind;
- is considered good value for money by most parents;

## Expectations

Children are expected to wear school uniform for practical reasons and to develop a sense of belonging to the school community.

### The Role of Parents and carers

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 written on all items.

### The Role of Governors

The governing body supports the Headteacher in implementing the School Uniform Policy. It considers all representations from parents regarding the uniform policy and liaises with the Headteacher 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, safe and practical.

### Where to buy School uniform

Branded school uniform can be purchased from Skoolkit and from Hampshire Uniforms

[www.skoolkit.co.uk](http://www.skoolkit.co.uk)

[www.hampshireuniforms.co.uk](http://www.hampshireuniforms.co.uk)

Preloved uniform can also be purchased from the PTA. They can be contacted by email on: [berewoodpta965@gmail.com](mailto:berewoodpta965@gmail.com)

### School Uniform List

Please remember that many items such as shorts, trousers, dresses and polo shirts and blouses and non-logo cardigans and sweatshirts can be bought locally for a reasonable cost.

#### Acceptable uniform (all pupils)

- Grey skirts, shorts or grey trousers together with a white shirt/polo shirt and purple sweatshirt or cardigan (with or without school logo)
- In summer purple and white dresses are suitable to be worn by pupils as well

#### Footwear (all pupils)

- Shoes should be black and be safe for use around school.

#### PE kit (all pupils)

- PE kit consists of black sports shorts (not leisure shorts) and school T-shirt or plain white or purple T-shirt.
- Children will also need soft plimsolls and the older children (Years 3-6) will need a pair of outdoor trainers.

- In the colder months children will need a pair of plain black jogging bottoms and a plain black hoodie for their outdoor PE lessons.

All uniform should all be named with permanent marker or with name labels and worn to school on PE days.

#### Headscarves/Hijjab

These may be worn for religious reasons but must be in school colours – purple, black or white

#### Jewellery

It is not appropriate for children to wear jewellery except a sensible watch and a pair of small plain stud earrings that must be able to be removed or taped over for PE

#### Hairstyles

Hairstyles should be appropriate for school, i.e. no “mohicans”, no designs cut into hair, no extremely short hair (no-guard or number 1) or bright coloured highlights. All long hair (shoulder length or longer) should be tied back. Headbands or hair bobbles should be plain dark purple, or in purple and white, or plain black.

#### School Bags

There is no reason for children to bring large bags into school. There is a great shortage of space in the cloakrooms and large bags exacerbate the problem. Lunch boxes can be carried and stored on trolleys.

#### Non-uniform days

On special days, notified in advance, children may wear non-uniform items. Details will be sent home in advance so everyone is clear.

### Equality Impact Assessment

We as a school community have a commitment to promote equality. Therefore, an equality impact assessment has been undertaken and we believe this policy is in line with the Equality Act 2010 as it is fair, it does not prioritise or disadvantage any pupil and it helps to promote equality at this school.

### Monitoring and Review

The governing body monitors and reviews the school uniform policy through its committee work by: seeking the views of parents, to ensure that they agree with and support the policy; considering, with the Headteacher, any requests from parents for individual children to have special dispensation with regard to school uniform;

### Monitoring and Evaluation

This policy was reviewed by staff and Governors in November 2023 and thereafter will be reviewed as part of the three year review cycle