

# Lanercost CE Primary School



## School Uniform

**POLICY ADOPTED BY FULL GOVERNING BODY: October 2010**

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## REVIEW SHEET

The information in the table below provides details of the earlier versions of this document and brief details of reviews and, where appropriate amendments which have been made to later versions.

Version Number	Version Description	Date of Revision
1	Original	October 2010
2	Amendments made – minor word changes	October 2012
3	Minor word changes re nail varnish	October 2014
4	Minor Word changes	October 2016

## Principles

It is our policy that all children should wear clothing that is in keeping with a purposeful learning ethos. We also believe it is important that certain activities are facilitated by specialised and appropriate clothing when attending school, or when participating in a school organised event outside normal school hours. We provide a complete list of the items needed for children's school uniform in this policy, in our school prospectus and in the welcome pack for new starters.

## Aims

Our policy for children's school uniform is based on the belief that a school uniform:

- supports positive behaviour and discipline
- promotes a sense of pride in the school
- engenders a feeling of community and belonging
- is practical and smart
- identifies the children with the school
- is not distracting in class (as fashion clothes might be)
- protects children from social pressures to dress in a particular way
- prevents bullying
- makes children feel equal to their peers in terms of appearance
- is regarded as suitable, and good value for money, by most parents
- has been designed with health and safety in mind
- prepares children for the expectations and uniform policies of secondary schools to which Lanercost CE children will attend in future years.

Parents seeking an exemption to the Dress Code due to religious beliefs, ethnic or cultural background, student disability, health conditions or economic hardship must apply in writing to the Chair of Governors.

Navy blue sweatshirts/sweat cardigans/zip up fleece jackets, blue polo shirts and PE kit - embroidered with the school name and logo can be ordered online from Tesco. We strive hard to provide best value for money.

**Please ensure that all uniform is clearly labelled with your child's name.**

## Uniform

Plain white shirt/blouse/polo shirt or blue polo shirt with school logo

Black/grey tights or black/grey/white socks

School sweatshirt/sweat cardigan

School grey tunic or skirt, school black or grey shorts/culottes or school black/grey trousers

Sensible/safe black/brown/navy shoes/ boots.

Please note socks must **always** be worn.

### **Optional Summer Uniform**

Blue and white check/striped dress/skirt/blouse

White tights/leggings

Sensible sandals (black/navy/brown/blue/white and preferably closed toed) – no Crocs/mules.

Black/grey/white socks must always be worn.

### **School Bags**

Large rucksack type bags are not permitted in school as they are not necessary and they cause a Health and Safety hazard. Children only need to bring a book bag, their P.E. Kit in a drawstring bag and a packed lunch if needed.

### **Games and P.E.**

**In addition to the above children should also have a separate PE uniform.**

White T-shirt with school logo and blue/black shorts are available to order from Tesco) or **pale blue polo shirt**

Trainers for outdoor games – predominantly white/dark coloured. **NO** baseball boots or Converse (All Stars) type shoes.

Navy/black jogging bottoms/sports trousers for outdoor sports in cold weather

Football boots or trainers may be worn for football and for reasons of safety shin pads must be worn.

Drawstring bag for P.E. clothing clearly labelled with your child's name.

### **Jewellery**

For safety reasons, jewellery (including sunglasses), with the exception of watches and plain stud earrings is not permitted. Children with pierced ears are allowed to wear studs, but these should be covered or removed for P.E. and removed for swimming.

### **Swimming**

Your child will need swim wear (not swimming shorts or bikinis), towel, waterproof bag and swimming cap. If your child needs to use goggles please sign the permission slip.

### **Make up and Cosmetics**

Make up and cosmetics/nail varnish (including French Manicure)/temporary tattoos are not considered appropriate or consistent with our school uniform. The school does not permit such products to be worn by any children, unless there is a specific event for which the Head has given permission.

## **Hair**

If hair is long enough, it must be tied up. Pupils should not have hair fashions which are designed to attract attention; this includes dyed/streaked hair as well as styles such as spikes, mochicans etc. Close shaved head are not allowed (minimum number 2). Images, shapes and lines should not be cut into the hair.

## **Lost property**

In order to return lost property, all uniform and personal items should be clearly marked with your child's name. We advise that children in reception have their labelling in lower case letters to make it more recognisable to them.

## **Early Years Requirements**

It is important for the promotion of social independence that the younger children are able manage their own clothes and shoes (eg laces). This should be considered when purchasing school uniform.

## **Consequences**

Where a pupil is not adhering to school uniform policy the headteacher will discreetly try to establish why not by sending a letter home to the parents. If a pupil is not wearing the correct uniform because their parents are in financial difficulties, we will be sensitive to the needs of the pupil. We will give parents time to purchase the required items and/or consider whether a school or local authority clothing grant can be applied for.