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Arley Primary Academy Uniform Policy

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V1		May 2025	Kate Parkes	New policy as school now part of Inspire Education Trust.

1. School Uniform

Arley Primary Academy expects high standards in dress and appearance. Our insistence on correct uniform is based on these reasons:

1. To present a smart appearance for the public identity of our pupils and enabling them to demonstrate a pride in their appearance and our school
2. To create cohesion and a sense of equality
3. With their school colours on, children can be immediately recognised

We are insistent that all rules about the uniform must be followed. Pupils are expected to maintain a clean, smart appearance. All items are readily available from the recognised school outfitters.

2. Cost Principles

The school will develop its uniform policy in relation to the following starting principles:

- The school will seek to ensure that the uniform is affordable. In so doing, the school will consider the total cost of school uniforms, taking into account all items of uniform or clothing parents will need to provide while their child is at the school.
- The school will seek to keep the use of branded items to a minimum.
- The school will seek to ensure that uniform supplier arrangements give the highest priority to cost and value for money, including the quality and durability of the garment.
- The school will seek to ensure that second-hand uniforms are available for parents to acquire. Information on second-hand uniforms will be published on the school's website.

These are the official school outfitters. Jumpers, cardigans, skirts, trousers and PE kit, can be purchased from one or some of the following suppliers.

1. The Schoolwear Centre in Nuneaton town centre, School Trends (<https://www.schooltrends.co.uk>)
2. Bright sparks (<https://www.brightsparksschoolwear.co.uk>)

Uniform, without the school logo, can also be purchased from supermarkets.

3. Equality Principles

The school takes its legal obligation to avoid unlawfully discriminating against any pupil very seriously.


In line with the above, the school will aim to ensure that its uniform policy is as inclusive as possible so that all pupils can access a school uniform which is comfortable, suitable for their needs, and reflects who they are, while avoiding any direct or indirect discrimination on the basis of protected characteristics or socio-economic status.

The school will ensure that parents and pupils are consulted over any changes to school uniform, and that, where appropriate and with pupils' consent, views and advice are sought specifically from pupils, and parents of pupils, who:

- Are transgender or non-binary.
- Are of a religious or cultural background that has specific dress requirements.
- Have SEND and/or sensory needs.

Parents' concerns and requests regarding school uniform and amendments to it are handled on a case-by-case basis by the Headteacher/ Deputy Headteacher, and always in accordance with the school's Complaints Procedures Policy.

SCHOOL UNIFORM	
ITEM	DESCRIPTION
Fleece, Jumper or cardigan	Arley Primary Academy logo or plain navy.
Trousers	Black or grey smart trousers (no leggings)
Shorts	Black or grey smart shorts (just above the knee)
School uniform summer dresses	Red & white checked (no shorter than just above the knee)
Polo Shirt / shirt	Red - plain standard style buttoned to the neck

Skirt/Pinafore dress	Black or grey (no shorter than just above the knee)
Socks	Black, grey or white
Tights	Opaque black, grey or red
Shoes	<p>Plain black. Slip on, lace up, buckles, Velcro or plain black trainers. Not permitted –trainers that are not plain black, canvas, logo or stripe, stiletto heels, sandals or sling back.</p> 

OPTIONAL ITEMS

Jewellery	1 pair of small, gold or silver stud earrings (a matching pair, one in each earlobe). No other fashion jewellery will be permitted (e.g. rings, necklaces, dangly or hooped earrings etc). Jewellery for religious reasons will be permitted.
Make-up	No make-up, nail varnish or acrylic nails are allowed.



PE KIT

Jumper/ Hoodie	Plain black or grey
Polo shirt/ T shirt	Plain white or plain red
Shorts	Plain Black (hot pants style will not be permitted)
Tracksuit bottoms/ leggings	Plain black
Socks	Black or white

Trainers	Not over ankle style
Children should come to school wearing their PE kit, on their PE days.	

3. Adverse Weather

All pupils will be advised to wear weather-appropriate clothing.

For hot temperatures, this includes wearing:

- [Tops that cover the shoulder area.](#)
- [Sunglasses with UV protection when outside.](#)
- **Sunhats** labelled with the pupil's name.

Pupils will be advised not to wear any jumpers or blazers during heatwaves. If outside during break times, pupils not wearing sun-safe clothing will be advised to stay in an area protected from the sun, or spare clothing is provided.

4. Labelling and Lost Property

Parents will be advised to ensure that all pupils' clothing and footwear is clearly labelled with their name and year group. Clothing and footwear are the responsibility of the pupil and not the school. If a child goes home in another child's clothing by accident, for example their jumper, parents/carers should send the clothing not belonging to them back into school.

Any lost clothing will be taken to the lost property box in the [school admin area](#). All lost property will be retained for **one month** and will be disposed of if it is not collected within this time.

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