

	<h2>South Bersted CE Primary Uniform Policy</h2>
Web and/or Internal	Web & Internal
This policy should be reviewed every	Every three years
Policy approved by Governors	Spring 2022
Date of Review	Spring 2025
Member of staff responsible	Headteacher
Policy created by	School
Signed by Chair of Governors and/or Headteacher	

Statement of Intent:

At South Bersted CE Primary School we are committed to encouraging pupils to embrace challenges and become lifelong learners in a safe, secure and nurturing environment. We believe that everyone is equal and we should treat each other with dignity and respect. South Bersted is a place where everyone should be able to flourish and achieve high standards. Our intent for this policy is underpinned by John 10:10 'Life in all its Fullness.'

Aims

It is our policy that all children should wear clothing that is in keeping with a purposeful learning ethos.

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

- 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, whilst keeping branded items to a minimum,
- is not distracting in class (as fashion clothes might be),
- makes children feel equal to their peers in terms of appearance,
- is regarded as suitable, and good value for money by most parents, including the quality and durability of garments,

- has been designed with health and safety in mind.

South Bersted CE Primary School Uniform

Our uniform has the school logo and motto embroidered on it, which gives the school and pupils an identity. In promoting high standards, it is our school policy that all children wear school uniform when attending school, or participating in school-organised events outside normal school hours, unless specific clothing of a religious nature is required to be worn. We ask children to wear their shirts tucked into their skirts or trousers and to take a pride in their personal appearance.

All children should have a school book bag; ideally in our school colour with our school logo.

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

The children should wear:

Girls	Boys
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Plain white shirt or polo shirt, with or without the school logo • School sweatshirt/cardigan with logo • Navy, grey, or black skirt, or plain, black or grey smart trousers • White/black/navy/grey socks or tights • Black/navy shoes (<i>no boots, trainers or sandals</i>) • A blue check dress or black/grey shorts may also be worn. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Plain white shirt or polo shirt with or without the school logo • School sweatshirt with logo • Grey or black smart trousers • Black/grey socks • Black shoes (<i>no boots or trainers</i>) • Black or grey shorts may be worn.
<p><i>Long hair must be tied back</i></p> <p><i>During hot weather children are encouraged to wear a hat when they are outside.</i></p>	

Jewellery

For safety and security reasons children are not allowed to wear jewellery in school unless of a religious nature, and for which permission must be sought, prior to the wearing. For those who have pierced ears small, plain gold or silver studs may be worn, but these must be removed for PE lessons. Watches may be worn but they must also be removed during PE lessons.

SMART watches with a camera are not to be worn at school.

Hair bands should be plain navy or black and without any adornments. Make up and nail varnish should not be worn to school; this includes tinted lip balm. Extreme hairstyles are not appropriate for school. The use of styling products should be kept to a minimum and children should not have decorative patterns cut into their hair or have hair coloured or dyed. Hair should not be cut shorter than a Grade 3. Children should not come to school with transfers or temporary tattoos.

Please note: some of these rules will be suspended during non-uniform days and school events, such as discos.

PE Kit

PE is a statutory requirement and all children are expected to take part. In addition to the uniform outlined above, the children require a PE kit; all items of PE kit should be clearly labelled with your child's name.

To ensure that your child is able to participate in all PE lessons, please provide them with the full and correct South Bersted PE kit, i.e. suitable clothing and footwear for both indoor and outdoor PE.

Pupils within a family will all have the same house colour to enable parents/carers to pass items down between siblings. No pupil will be prevented from participating in any aspect of school life, such as interschool competitions because of additional uniform requirements, or because the PE kit is too expensive.

If stud earrings must be worn (if, for example, ears have been newly pierced, or earrings cannot be taken out) then children must 'tape up' their ears with medical tape. Children, to whom this applies, should bring their own surgical tape into school, to keep with their PE kit. Any watches removed remain the child's responsibility and must be put either in their bag, or their drawer.

For all children, our PE kit is as follows:

- Plain T-shirt in child's house colour; with or without logo
- Plain navy shorts
- Plimsolls (or trainers for outdoors)
- During the winter months, a plain black or navy tracksuit may be worn dependant on the activity and/or the weather.

Swimming

Key Stage 2 children will require a swimming costume; this should be a one-piece swimsuit for girls and swim trunks for boys. Children will be provided with a swimming hat at the start of the term in which they are swimming. If this becomes lost or damaged additional hats may be purchased from the school office.

Forgotten Kit:

If on occasion a child forgets their PE kit, they may borrow one from the school. If a child fails to bring their correct PE kit to school a letter will be sent home from their class teacher. If this

happens on a regular basis the class teacher will contact the child's parent to discuss this matter.

Purchasing School Uniform:

School polo shirts, sweatshirts/cardigans and PE T-shirts with the school logo are available from JW Sports, High Street, Bognor Regis, along with bookbags, PE bags, sun hats and swimming hats. Other items may be purchased from local shops/suppliers. This supplier is checked at least every 5 years, to ensure that they continue to provide best value.

In addition to this, the Friends of South Bersted also offer second-hand uniform, which can be purchased throughout the year via the school Parentmail App.

Parents/Carers of pupils in receipt of means tested benefits, will receive a voucher to obtain one jumper or cardigan per year from JW Sports.

Role of parents and carers:

We ask all parents and carers who send their children to our school to support the school uniform policy. Parents and carers are to inform the school in writing if they are not able to comply with the uniform policy for any reason. For example, there may be a valid medical reason why a child has to wear alternative footwear to that in the policy. The Headteacher will determine if this is a valid reason. The expectation will be for the child to return to being in full uniform as soon as possible.