Parson Street Primary School

Clothing & Uniform Policy

2025-2026

Empowering all to create opportunities for life-long learners in our communities.

Parson Street Primary School – Uniform Policy

At Parson Street Primary School, we believe that wearing school uniform helps to create a strong sense of belonging, pride and community. Our uniform supports our values of **respect, equality and readiness for learning**. When children wear their uniform well, it sends a powerful message:
"I am part of this school. I matter here. I am ready to learn."

Uniform helps remove pressure around clothing choices, reduces visible differences between pupils, and creates a calm, purposeful environment where children can focus on their learning. It also helps pupils represent the school positively in the community and fosters a shared identity that we are proud of.

Our School Uniform

We encourage all pupils to wear the school uniform every day.

Required uniform for Nursery to Year 6:

- **Navy sweatshirt or cardigan**
- **Pale blue polo shirt**
- **Black or grey trousers, skirt or pinafore**
- **Navy pinafore**

Summer options:

- **Black or grey shorts**
- **Blue gingham summer dress**

Footwear & Appearance

- Sensible black shoes or boots.
- Jewellery is **not permitted**, except for small stud earrings
- Make-up and nail varnish are not allowed

PE Kit

We expect all pupils to wear the school PE kit on PE days. A clear, consistent PE kit helps maintain the same sense of belonging, equality and focus that our main school uniform provides.

Our PE kit consists of:

- **Plain white T-shirt**
- **Plain black or navy joggers**
- **Plain black or navy hoody or sweatshirt**
- **Suitable trainers**

Please note that **all PE clothing must be plain and unbranded**. This means no logos, slogans, football badges, stripes or sports branding.

We do **not allow:**

- Football shirts or full sports kits
- Clothing with visible branding or logos
- Fashion hoodies or designer sportswear

Why these expectations matter

PE is a learning subject like any other. When children wear consistent, plain kit it:

- Reduces pressure around fashion and brands
- Prevents competition or distraction over clothing
- Keeps the focus on learning, teamwork and physical wellbeing
- Ensures all children feel equal and included

We also want PE to remain practical, safe and affordable for families. Plain clothing can be purchased easily and inexpensively from a wide range of shops.

Children arriving in inappropriate PE clothing may be asked to change into spare school kit where available.

As always, if families need any support with PE kit, please speak with **Karen Cousins**, our Family Support Worker, who will be very happy to help.

PE Kit & Bags

Please ensure that **all uniform, PE kit and book bags are clearly labelled** with your child's name.

A book bag is useful so children can carry books, letters and home learning safely between school and home. However, we understand that any suitable bag is absolutely fine.

Branded Uniform

Our branded uniform (sweatshirts, cardigans, polo shirts and book bags) can be purchased online from **JP Sports**:

https://www.jpssports.co.uk/webshop/schools/parson-street-primary-school-bristol/

Plain Uniform

It is absolutely fine to buy **plain, unbranded uniform** from any shop. We recognise that branded items can create additional cost and **no child will ever be penalised for not wearing branded uniform**. What matters most is that pupils are comfortable, appropriately dressed and ready to learn.

We also understand how quickly children can get through T-shirts and jumpers — especially in the younger years — and we aim to be flexible and supportive.

Support with Uniform

We are proud of our caring, inclusive community and are always here to help.

If you would like support with uniform, please speak with **Karen Cousins, our Family Support Worker**, who will be very happy to help. We have a range of pre-loved uniform available in our community room.
If you have good quality uniform that your child has outgrown and would like to donate, we would be delighted to receive it.