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# LONGTOWN PRIMARY SCHOOL UNIFORM POLICY



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Longtown Primary School has a compulsory school uniform and PE kit which all pupils must wear.

# This is for a variety of reasons.

- It promotes a sense of community and belonging to the school;
- It gives a positive impression of the school, to the community and at public events;
- It is practical and smart
- It helps pupils to develop a sense of pride in themselves and the school;
- It helps pupils to feel equal to their peers in terms of appearance;
- It supports positive behaviour and school discipline;
- It ensures pupils dress appropriately for learning activities;
- It assists identification of strangers on school premises; and
- It supports and promotes the ethos of the school.

## Our school uniform consists of the following items:

- Royal Blue sweatshirt or cardigan with the school logo
- Grey or black trousers
- Grey or black pinafore or skirt with black, navy or grey tights or white socks
- Red/White polo shirt (logo optional)
- Black school shoes (no trainers or sport shoes)
- For summer term and up to October half term pupils are able to wear grey/black shorts or blue/red gingham dresses.

Items with our logo are available to purchase from BE uniforms, 25 West Tower Street, Carlisle, CA3 8QT sales@beuniforms.co.uk

Please ensure that all items including all uniform, PE kit, shoes, coats, lunch boxes etc are marked with your child's name and class, as this will enable staff to return lost items. Any items not labelled will be placed in the lost property, please ask at school office. All items of clothing, including coats and PE kit must be named.

#### **Unisex PE Kit**

PE kit- Red/black shorts blue round neck t-shirt with logo and black plimsolls or trainers for outdoor lessons (plain black coloured tracksuits may be worn in the colder months)

It is essential that all children change for PE lesson; it is particularly important that children change their footwear.

Children are invited to come into school wearing their PE kit on their designated PE days this is to

- Save on lost learning time during the PE lesson
- Prevent loss of uniform
- Prevent older pupils have to feel uncomfortable changing in front of their peers within the classrooms

# Jewellery

Jewellery is not encouraged and the school will not be responsible for any loss or damage.

- It is best if jewellery is not worn at all. However plain stud earrings are permitted, but they MUST be removed for PE lessons. The responsibility for their care rests with the pupil. For this reason, we encourage ear piercing to occur in the summer holidays, however, during the school year pupils must tape up their earrings if they are unable to be removed. Pupils must take responsibility for providing plasters/tape for this purpose.
- Other jewellery chains, necklaces, bracelets and any hoop or drop earrings; are NOT permitted in school at all. Thank you for your support in this matter.

#### **Additional Non-Permitted Items**

- Accessories such as elaborate hair decorations which sit on top of the head are not permitted
- Make up, including false nails, is not permitted and should not be worn to school
- Children should not have their hair dyed anything other than natural colours, if at all.

#### **Mobile Phones & Smart Watches**

Mobiles phones and smart watches are now a feature of modern society and an increasing number of our students own one. The increasing sophistication of mobile phone/smart watch technology presents a number of issues for school:

- The high value of many phones/smart watches
- Phones with cameras can lead to potential child protection and data protection issues.
- The potential use of the phone/smart watch e.g. for texting whilst on silent mode
- Inappropriate use of mobile phones/smart watches to bully, intimidate, ridicule others.
- 'Smart' watches which connect to the internet, take photographs, or link to other devices which maybe in school (e.g. mobile phone) must NOT be brought to school.

We also believe that the vast majority of pupil do NOT need to bring a mobile phone to school.

However, where parents of Year 5 and Year 6 pupils would like to request that their child brings a phone to school, we require parents to sign a permission form (available from the school office) and abide by the conditions contained in the permission form. Phones must be handed into the school office when children arrive in school.

Please note that the use of mobile phones by pupils is not allowed in school or around our grounds at any time. This also extends to other devices with capacity for taking images and with access to the internet such as iPad for example.

During the school day, in cases or emergency, the school office should be the only point of contact.

### Compliance

We expect every pupil in school to adhere to this policy with support from their parents or Guardians. Failure to comply will result, in first instance, with the child being asked to change footwear/uniform. A request for parents to bring suitable items will be made if necessary.

Pupils wearing any accessories or jewellery which do not follow the school uniform policy can expect to have these items confiscated. Any confiscated items will be logged and made available for collection at the end of the school day. For repeat offences of this nature, Parents will be asked to collect confiscated items.