Maritime Academy Trust

Brooklands Primary School

Uniform Policy

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School Uniform

Brooklands Primary School is a no uniform school. We prefer to allow children to choose what they would like to wear and to be able to express themselves as they wish, nurturing their individuality and respecting the myriad of differences amongst the children. Our only expectation is that the children come to school wearing appropriate clothing for the weather and the activities they are doing, such as shoes that they can safely run and play in every day.

We do not believe that children need to wear a uniform in order to show respect or that it improves behaviour. We believe that respect is earned through the relationships the staff at Brooklands forge with the children rather than anything they wear.

Clothing practicalities

Due to the nature of the activities children partake in at school, children should not wear flip-flops; sandals with a strap at the back only to ensure shoes stay on when children move around the school. No jewellery other than stud earrings is permitted other than a watch (non-smart).

When rain is forecast, children should have a coat with a hood as they may not be allowed outside without one. Due to children spending as much time as possible outside (as part of their learning as well as at playtimes), children should always wear weather appropriate clothes e.g. covering shoulders and sun hats when it is sunny to protect them and layers during colder weather.

For younger children, parents are to ensure children are sent to school wearing clothes that they can easily manage. Children should only wear lace-up shoes if they are able to tie them themselves.

Younger children, particularly those in the Early Years Foundation Stage (Nursery and Reception) and those classes who attend Forest School, are encouraged to bring a change of clothes to leave at school in case of toileting accidents or falling in our muddy areas.

Fitbits or other smartwatches are not permitted in school. Children will be asked to remove them and they will be stored in the school office until the end of the day.

Sport and PE

Children should come into school dressed in clothes appropriate for PE on their PE days. This consists of:

- Indoor PE - shorts or leggings, T-shirt.
- Outdoor PE - jogging bottoms, T-shirt, long-sleeved top (in colder weather), trainers or plimsolls.

All jewellery should be removed before arriving at school on PE days and shoulder-length or long hair should be tied back. This is for safety reasons.

Lost and/or unclaimed clothing

All clothing and accessories should be named to ensure any missing items can be returned quickly and easily with minimum

distress or distraction from learning.

Any item of clothing that is not claimed is stored in a 'lost property' area. This collection is regularly displayed for parents and children to claim any missing items. Any items left at the end of a term is taken to a local charity shop or clothing bank.