



Uniform Policy for Ladeside Primary School

Whilst there is no legally enforceable obligation in Scotland to wear uniform, at Ladeside, we are very grateful for parental support in encouraging our pupils to wear school uniform.

We believe that wearing a uniform helps to promote a sense of identity and pride within the school community. Our uniform is practical, affordable, and fosters an inclusive and focused environment, where pupils are ready to learn.

This policy outlines information regarding our school uniform and aims to provide clarity for families in accordance with Scottish Government legislation (United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child) and framework (Getting it Right for Every Child).

United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child

- Article 2 - All children have these rights no matter what their differences are
- Article 12 - I have the right to be listened to and taken seriously
- Article 13 - I have the right to find out and share information
- Article 14 - I have the right to have my own thoughts and beliefs and to choose my religion, with help from my parents
- Article 27 - I have the right to have a proper home, food and clothing
- Article 28 - I have the right to an education

Aims of the Uniform Policy

- To promote a sense of **belonging** and **pride** to contribute to a positive **school culture**.
- To ensure **equality**, by removing pressures related to fashion or brands.
- To provide a uniform that is **comfortable**, **practical**, and appropriate for the wide range of school activities.
- To encourage **pride** in appearance.
- To share information about accessibility and **affordable uniform options**.

The School Uniform

The school uniform can be purchased from local retailers, supermarkets or through the school's uniform supplier (BE Uniforms). Second-hand uniforms are also available on the Pre-loved rail in school (run by volunteers from Parents at Ladeside Primary School and school staff).





Main Uniform (for all pupils):

- **Tops:**
 - White or light blue polo shirt or button-up shirt/blouse.
 - Jumper or cardigan in red (with or without the school logo).
 - Fleece in blue (with or without the school logo).
 - Tartan or gingham dresses in school colours.
 - Weather-appropriate jacket or coat.
- **Bottoms:**
 - Black, grey or navy shorts, trousers, skirts, or pinafores.
 - Jogging bottoms and leggings are permitted as long as they do not have fashion or football logos.
- **Footwear:**
 - Plain shoes (no heels or open-toe shoes).
 - Plain, black trainers.
- Weather specific items may include hats, scarves, gloves and sun cream.
- We can store additional items of clothing in school.
- **All clothing should be clearly labelled with the pupil's name.**

Physical Education (PE) Kit

- We encourage pupils to have suitable sports clothing (shorts leggings, tracksuit bottoms, t-shirts) for PE sessions. Families will be advised by class teachers whether lessons will take place outdoors or indoors.
- We advise pupils to bring a change of shoes for indoor PE sessions.





Outdoor Learning

- All classes engage in Outdoor Learning across the school year. To ensure full participation, all pupils are encouraged to bring suitable footwear for all weathers.
- Items such as wellies can be stored in school.
- Information regarding any further specific items of clothing required for Outdoor Learning, will be issued by class teachers prior to the activity.

Additional Guidelines:

- **Jewellery:** Small stud earrings can be worn but must be covered or removed for PE.
- **Hair:** Long hair should be tied back during PE and practical activities.
- **Pupils are responsible for any items of their personal property they choose to bring to school.**
- **Any missing items of clothing may be found in our Lost Property Box, located in the Janitor's Office at the front door. Pupils are responsible for checking the lost property box during the school day.**

School Clothing Grant

We understand that the cost of uniforms can be a concern for families. Financial support is available to eligible families through the **School Clothing Grant**. If you require further information, please contact the school office. This also applies to information regarding Nursery-P1 and P7-S1 transition.

The school is committed to supporting all families in meeting uniform expectations and will ensure that any issues are handled sensitively and fairly.

Equality and Inclusion

We recognise that some pupils may need adjustments to the uniform for **religious, cultural, or medical reasons**. The school is committed to ensuring that the uniform policy is inclusive and will make accommodations.





Non-Uniform Days and School Events

The school will organise **non-uniform days** (e.g., usually the last day of term). On these days, pupils are encouraged to appropriately and in clothing suitable for the school environment. Details of these days will be communicated in advance via the school newsletter.

Trips

- Uniform should be worn on all school trips for identification purposes unless stated by the class teacher prior to the event.

School Responsibility

- Class Teachers will remind pupils of their weekly timetable (including PE and Outdoor Learning lessons).
- Class Teachers will inform families about any special events or changes to the timetable
- Key dates will be issued in the family and friends newsletters

Parent Responsibility

- To keep informed about their child's timetable.
- Access messages about events and trips from Seesaw.
- Support their child in bringing suitable clothing for all weathers.
- Support their child to remember PE kits.

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