

Mulberry Canon Barnett Primary

Uniform Policy

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1. Rationale

Mulberry Canon Barnett Primary seeks to be inclusive and for this reason, a uniform policy has been instituted by the local governing body of the school. The policy reflects the diversity of our society and the local community which Mulberry Canon Barnett Primary serves. The uniform which the school expects all pupils to wear who come to the school is sensitive to the cultural and religious beliefs and the socio-economic circumstances of our pupils and their families. It allows for flexibility so that there is equity within diversity.

2. Key Principles

The key principles that underpin the policy are set out below. These are common across the Mulberry Schools Trust. They reflect the fact that Mulberry Canon Barnett Primary is a mixed primary school and a secular school which provides for the needs of children from diverse cultural, social, religious and non-religious backgrounds. The uniform code is set out within this context.

3. Statutory duties

The school has been mindful of its statutory duties to:

- Promote community cohesion
- Promote understanding between groups in society
- To promote equality
- Fulfil its duties to ensure that children's rights are promoted with regard to:
 - a) physical and mental health and emotional well-being
 - b) protection from harm and neglect
 - c) education, training and recreation
 - d) the contribution made by them to society
 - e) social and economic well-being

The school's statutory Equality Policy states how the school seeks to fulfil these duties.

4. Promoting the aims of the school

The uniform policy at Mulberry Canon Barnett Primary School is designed to reflect and promote the values and aims of our school community and the MCB Way.

Our school expectations:

- **Respectful** – our uniform promotes equality and respect by reducing visible differences, helping children to value one another and treat everyone with kindness and dignity.
- **Responsible** – wearing the correct uniform supports children in taking responsibility for themselves, their belongings, and their readiness for school each day.
- **Ready for Learning** – a consistent and practical uniform ensures that pupils are prepared, comfortable, and able to fully engage in all aspects of school life.

The uniform policy contributes to our school expectations by promoting:

- A strong sense of belonging and cohesion among pupils
- Pride in being part of Mulberry Canon Barnett Primary School
- Respect for diversity, including cultural and religious traditions, where these align with the school's values and statutory duties

The uniform policy aims to:

- Ensure consistency and avoid frequent changes, minimising financial impact on families
- Provide a simple, practical, and comfortable uniform suitable for all areas of learning, including active and creative activities
- Support equality and inclusion, reflecting our ethos that everyone matters and everyone can succeed
- Ensure sensitivity towards religious and cultural needs wherever possible
- Promote health, safety, and wellbeing for every child

The uniform policy aims:

- To avoid frequent changes to uniform specifications and minimising the financial impact on parents/carers of any changes
- To avoid different uniform requirements for different year/class/house groups
- To support the needs of children in their education, ensuring that it is practical and sensible, suitable for moving easily around the school site and suitable for a variety of learning environments including practical activities and formal events
- To uphold the school's ethos of equity within diversity
- To ensure that there is sensitivity towards religious observance wherever possible
- To ensure that health and safety is promoted for every pupil in the school

Our school has a duty to make sure that the uniform we require is affordable, in line with guidance from the Mulberry Schools Trust and statutory **guidance** from the Department for Education (DfE) on the cost of school uniform.

In line with our commitment to make uniform affordable to all, there are only two items which are bespoke to Mulberry Canon Barnett Primary:

- Sweatshirt or cardigan with school logo
- Purple or white polo shirt with school logo

In addition, the school promotes recycling and runs a scheme that allows parents to donate unwanted uniform items to us. We then keep these in stock and can provide them free of charge to parents. Please contact school reception to find out more about this.

School Uniform List

Our pupils look smart in the following uniform, which we expect them to wear at all times. We want everyone to be proud of belonging to Mulberry Canon Barnett Primary and we want our pupils to wear their uniforms with pride.

Please speak to the office for details on purchasing second-hand uniform.

Our uniform consists of:

- A purple sweatshirt or cardigan with school logo
- Purple or white polo shirt with school logo
- Black trousers, black skirt or black pinafore
- Lilac/purple school gingham dress (summer)
- Black shoes
- If a headscarf is worn this should be black, white or purple

Our PE kit consists of:

- A white polo shirt with school logo
- Black jogging bottoms or black shorts
- Black plimsolls or suitable trainers

Please remember when you are buying new uniform for Reception children:

- Children are to wear trousers not jogging bottoms to school
- Hoodies are not allowed
- Leggings (if worn under a dress) should be black

Our uniform stockists

School uniform items that contain the school logo can be obtained from local suppliers Khalsa Schoolwear or Ocean Designs Schoolwear Ltd at the addresses below.

All other uniform items can be obtained from suppliers chosen by parents/carers.

Khalsa Schoolwear
388 Bethnal Green Road
London
E2 0AH

Tel: 020 7729 3286

Ocean Designs Schoolwear Ltd
10 Watney Market
London
E1 2PR

Tel: 020 7702 8881

Alternatively, uniform pieces can be purchased online: <https://khalsaschoolwear.co.uk/>