

CENTRAL BARROW SCHOOLS FEDERATION
SCHOOL UNIFORM POLICY

The Department for Education states – We strongly encourage schools to have a uniform as it can play a key role in:

- Promoting the ethos of a school
- Providing a sense of belonging and identity
- Setting an appropriate tone for education

By creating a common identity amongst all pupils, regardless of background, a school uniform can act as a social leveller. It can reduce bullying and peer pressure to wear the latest fashions or other expensive clothes. If, however, the uniform is too expensive it can place an unreasonable burden on families. Furthermore, if a distinction can be made between those who can afford it and those who cannot, this can reduce the benefits of a uniform and has the potential to negatively impact attendance, access and participation, and lead to bullying.

Parents should not have to think about the cost of a school uniform when choosing which school(s) to apply for. No school uniform should be so expensive as to leave pupils or their families feeling unable to apply to, or attend, a school of their choice. Therefore, schools need to ensure that their uniforms are affordable.

Uniform for Ramsden Infants and Nursery (Nursery – Y2)

Our only required items of uniform are those that can be chosen from the following list

- grey/black skirt or pinafore dress
- trousers or shorts
- white polo-shirt or shirt,
- black shoes (or trainers – if they are all black),
- Red sweatshirt or cardigan. (Only the sweatshirt or cardigan must have the school logo.)

Summer uniform (optional)

- Red checked gingham-style dress or grey shorts.

PE kit

White tee-shirt and black shorts with black plimsolls or trainers.

Other optional items are PE tee-shirts and polo-shirts that may have the printed logo too, book bags, and waterproof jackets with the school logo. All items are widely available at supermarkets (to be purchased and embroidered with the school's logo if necessary).
One provider of school uniforms in our area is https://www.oneidentity.co.uk and others may be available.
Second-hand uniforms Second-hand uniforms can benefit all parents, particularly those on low incomes. In addition, by extending the life of garments, it is more sustainable. Any parents wishing to purchase these from school should contact the school office via email. We have a Uniform Hub in our entrance hall where parents may take pre-loved uniform items.

Jewellery

On health and safety grounds, we do not allow children to wear jewellery in our school. The exception to this rule is ear-ring studs in pierced ears. We ask the children to remove these during PE. The school advises parents who wish their children to have their ears pierced to do so at the beginning of the school holidays.

Extreme haircuts

The school does not permit children to have 'extreme' haircuts that could serve as a distraction to other children