



Barford St. Peter's C.E. (V.A.) Primary School

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Friday 26th May

Changes to School Uniform – September 2023

Dear Parents,

Thank you for your feedback in relation to the proposed introduction of a school tie for Key Stage Two children from September 2023.

Several parents raised valid concerns regarding the change of uniform. These included the cost implication of a change of uniform at what is a difficult time for many families. They felt that a new uniform would mean that they would no longer be able to use second hand uniform and suggested that a phased approach to a change of uniform may be more manageable. Other concerns raised related to comfort, particularly for children with sensory issues, and the extra work associated with ironing school shirts.

Many parents were also supportive of the introduction of a school tie as they felt it would look very smart and that encouraging children to take pride in their appearance was a positive thing to do.

To accommodate all views and concerns, the changes to winter uniform will include the option to wear a school tie from September. In order to help with the cost implications, we would like to offer to provide children's first tie for free. If you would like to order a tie, please complete the forms link below so that we can order these for arrival before the end of term.

<https://forms.office.com/e/CwmvGEyGW5>

V-neck jumpers with the school logo on will be available to order from the beginning of next half term. However, I would like to reiterate that jumpers do not need to be logo items; many supermarkets have good quality and reasonably priced red v-neck jumpers available to purchase. In addition, there are many 'easy button' shirts available which use an elastic hook. Packs of shirts can be purchased for a very reasonable price from supermarkets, and there are many 'non-iron' varieties available.

Families who are in receipt of free school meals will be entitled to financial support to purchase new school uniform and will be contacted separately. However, any family who would like to be considered for support with purchasing uniform is encouraged to discuss this with me as soon as possible and in complete confidence.



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Summer Uniform Options

- Red and white summer dress
- Grey shorts, skirt or trousers
- White polo shirt or short sleeved shirt
- White, grey or black socks

Winter Uniform Options

- Grey trousers, shorts, skirt or pinafore dress
- White shirt (short or long sleeved) with red and white tie
- White polo shirt
- Red v-neck sweatshirt or jumper
- Red cardigan
- Black, grey or white socks
- Red, white or grey tights

Kind regards,

Mrs M.A. Baker