

Newbridge Learning Community

Uniform Policy



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The next scheduled review date for this policy is September 2026

Signed by:

_____ Headteacher Date: _____

_____ Chair of governors Date: _____



Newbridge Learning Community Uniform Policy

At Newbridge Learning Community, we are proud of our school uniform. It reflects our values of Community, Compassion, Courage and Competence and helps pupils to feel part of a shared identity.

Our uniform has been designed in close consultation with pupils, staff, and a professional design team to ensure it is comfortable, practical, and smart, while also offering sensory-friendly options for those who need them.

We want all pupils to feel proud of their uniform, to wear it with confidence, and to represent themselves and the school positively in the local community.

Core Uniform (Years 7-11)

- Grey jumper, blazer, or fleece - must display the Newbridge shield (chosen through pupil and staff design process).
- White shirt or polo shirt (logo optional)
- Trousers - black or grey.
- Footwear - black or black-and-grey trainers/shoes.

Optional Items

- School tie (optional).

PE Kit

Our PE kit was chosen with pupils and staff, reflecting the school colours of blue, red and white. The t-shirt is the second compulsory item of uniform, required for all pupils.

- Pupils wear the Newbridge PE kit for all lessons and when representing the school in sporting events.
- An optional matching zip-up top is available.
- Our values are embedded in PE: pupils are expected to show community, compassion, courage and competence when training, competing, and representing the school



Why We Wear a Uniform

- **Community** - it creates a shared sense of belonging.
- **Compassion** - it ensures all pupils are treated equally.
- **Courage** - it gives pupils confidence to present themselves well.
- **Competence** - it helps pupils prepare for life beyond school by learning to dress smartly.

Ordering and Support

- All uniform items can be purchased through our official school supplier (Slaters at Wigan and Rainbow uniform at Leigh)
- A range of materials and fits are available to support sensory needs.
- If parents/carers are experiencing difficulties with uniform costs, please contact the school office in confidence so we can offer support.

Expectations

- Pupils should arrive in school each day wearing the correct uniform.
- Uniform should be clean, tidy, and worn with pride.
- Jewellery should be kept to a minimum (small studs and a watch permitted).
- Outdoor coats may be worn to and from school but not in classrooms.

We thank parents and carers for supporting our uniform policy and helping our pupils feel proud to belong to Newbridge Learning Community.



Appendix 1 - School Uniform List



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School Uniform List

September 2025



Community



Courage



Compassion



Competence



Our school uniform as follows:

Year 7 – Year 11

- Grey V-neck sweatshirt with school logo.



- White polo shirt (logo optional).



- Grey blazer with school logo (Optional)



- White shirt



- School tie (clip on)

- Black or Grey trousers or black skirt





School Footwear:

PERMITTED: ALL BLACK OR MAINLY BLACK WITH A GREY TRIM shoes/trainer only. 

NOT PERMITTED: NO OTHER TRIM COLOUR OTHER THAN GREY IS PERMITTED. No white or coloured trainers. 

***Please see examples of acceptable and unacceptable shoes/trainers.**

Acceptable footwear 	Unacceptable footwear 
 <p>Black leather Slip on</p>  <p>Black Leather Lace Up</p>  <p>Black Leather Slip On With Strap</p>	  
   	



No coloured trim.



Socks and tights:

- Plain grey or black socks.
- Plain black, opaque tights.
- Pupils who are wearing skirts should wear tights and/or cycling shorts underneath

Outdoor:

Grey fleece with logo or waterproof jacket.





Adverse weather:

- All pupils are required to wear weather-appropriate clothing that covers as much of their skin as possible during adverse weather.
- Pupils are advised not to wear any jumpers or blazers during heatwaves. If outside during break times, pupils not wearing sun-safe clothing are advised to stay in an area protected from the sun.
- For cold temperatures, this includes wearing:
 - Warm jumpers that conform to the school's uniform policy.
 - Trousers, or thick tights with skirts.

PE Kit:

PE top with school logo.



PE T-Shirt

Other items (optional)



Quarter Zip Top



PE socks



- **Pupil may wear their full PE kit to school on PE days. They must still wear their black and/or black and grey trainers.**



Labelling:

- All pupils' clothing and footwear should be clearly labelled with their name.
- Any lost clothing is to be taken to the lost property box in the PFP office. All unlabelled lost property is retained for 2 weeks and is disposed/or recycled if it is not collected within this time.

Jewellery:

- Reasonable piercings are permitted.
- Jewellery is the responsibility of the pupil and not the school.
- Lost or damaged items will not be refunded.
- All jewellery must be removed during practical lessons, including PE lessons and science experiments.

School bag:

- Pupils must use an appropriately sized waterproof bag to carry their books and equipment. It should hold A4-sized work books comfortably without causing any damage.
- School bags featuring inappropriate images, slogans or phrases are not permitted.
- The school encourages pupils to bring non-valuable bags to school.
- The school will not be liable for lost or damaged school bags.

Hairstyles:



- The school reserves the right to make a judgement on where pupils' hairstyles or hair colours are inappropriate for the school environment; however, we will ensure that any such judgements do not discriminate against any pupil by virtue of their protected characteristics.
- Each individual pupil's scenario will be considered where any judgements on appropriateness are to be made, and parents will always have the freedom to complain via the school's Complaints Procedures Policy.
- Pupils with long hair must ensure that this does not impede their vision, cover their face or provide a health and safety risk. Long hair must be tied up during practical lessons, e.g. during PE.

Uniform Assistance:

- We would welcome your support in ensuring your child wears their uniform whilst at school.
- Failure to wear uniform or accept a short term offer of a spare which is held in school could result in them being sent home to change.
- If you have a valid reason, please contact us to discuss and we may be able to help.
- The school holds some spare and second-hand school uniforms for parents to access if they need assistance; access to these uniforms is available upon request made to the Pastoral manager (Dawn Robson).
- Parents are encouraged to donate their child's uniform when they no longer need it.

School uniform suppliers



All branded uniform can be purchased from the following suppliers:

- Slaters Uniform- Swan Meadow Rd, Wigan WN3 5BD

***Please note if purchasing uniform from slaters this will need to be ordered in advance due to high demand.**



- Rainbow Uniform – 87-89 Bradshaw gate, Leigh



Unbranded uniform can be purchased from the following retailers:

EASY ON EASY WEAR
George

Designed to help kids with independent dressing

You spoke and we listened, our Easy on Easy Wear clothing is designed to support independent dressing and sensory needs, keeping them happy and comfortable all day long.

New 'Easy dressing' range in conjunction with The National Autistic Society

