



Cradley CE VA Primary School

Uniform Policy 2026-27



As part of the government's *Wellbeing and Schools Bill*, no family should find themselves out of pocket when preparing their child for school.

We recognise that school uniform plays an important role in creating a sense of belonging and identity, while also easing the pressure on families to keep up with fashion trends. However, we are also mindful of the increasing financial pressures many are facing. Recent figures show that half of parents are worried about the cost of school uniforms, with 12% experiencing financial hardship as a result.

At our school, we aim to keep uniform expectations simple and affordable. Other than our school tie, we do not require branded items. We also offer a selection of quality pre-loved uniform in our main entrance, which families are warmly encouraged to use. If you would like to prefer to purchase items with the Cradley logo on, they are available at <https://www.gooddies.co.uk/>.

If you're finding it difficult to access what your child needs, please don't hesitate to get in touch – we're here to help and support is always available.

School Uniform

Winter (to be worn from Autumn half-term to Easter holidays)

- White shirt,
- Burgundy/gold tie
- Grey pinafore, skirt or grey tailored trousers, burgundy cardigan, jumper or fleece (optional to have them with Cradley logo)
- Sensible black shoes - no trainers, open-toed shoes or large 'Doc Martin' style boots. If children wear boots during the winter months, then they must be plain, flat, black leather no taller than mid-calf height.
- Tights where worn should be plain grey or plain black.

Summer (to be worn from Easter holidays to end of summer term)

- Pink or red and white gingham dress or white polo shirt with a grey skirt or grey shorts. Sensible black shoes - no trainers or no open-toed/slip-on shoes or crocs.

PE Uniform

PE kit is to be worn on the day of their PE lesson with the exception of Reception class who will need to bring their kit in a PE bag (supplied by school).

- White polo/plain white t-shirt and plain black **unbranded** tracksuit for colder weather/winter (supplied by school – please speak to office).

- Burgundy shorts or white polo/t-shirt may be worn in warmer weather or for indoor PE.
- Trainers/pumps for outdoors, bare feet for indoor P.E.
- Plimsolls may be worn indoors if a child suffers from a verruca, supported by a letter from parents. (Please wear trainers for outdoor PE as plimsolls can be slippery.)

School uniform rules:

- NO nail varnish is allowed to be worn. False nails are also not permitted in school.
- NO make-up is allowed to be worn. This includes fake eyelashes and mascara.
- ALL shirts should be worn tucked in and the top button fastened.
- NO jewellery allowed except single stud earrings and one signet ring.
- ALL polo shirts should be worn tucked in.
- We do not allow hairstyles with lines or patterns cut into the head or mohicans.
- We do not allow bright or artificially coloured hair.
- Headbands, if worn for long hair, should be plain in colour.
- NO denim trousers are allowed in school. ALL long trousers must be tailored.
- NO child is allowed to participate in swimming, games or P.E. if they are wearing jewellery. Earrings must be removed at home prior to the child's PE lessons.