

D UNIFORM

D-1 An Overview

A new uniform is being introduced from September 2020 with a 24 month grace period.

Birkdale has a good reputation for the appearance of its pupils and we expect that pupils will wear their uniform with pride.

Clear guidance on uniform is below, and parents are asked to support the school by ensuring that pupils have the right garments and that they wear them neatly. Pupils should normally be in uniform on arrival and departure from school, and for all school activities.

- Hair styles should be neat and tidy, free from extremes. Hair should be above the collar for boys. Pupils with long hair below the collar should wear this tied up with plain hair bands in the school colours of navy or red.
- No jewellery is permitted other than one pair of small plain stud earrings for pupils in Prep 1 and above. These will have to be removed for sport lessons.
- Wearing watches is discouraged in school as they are regularly lost and have to be removed for sport and PE lessons. The wearing of Smart Watches is prohibited at all times.
- All pupils must have all their garments clearly marked with name tapes to reduce loss and discourage borrowing. Shoes should be marked with a name tape attached with a special adhesive or with a permanent marker.

If you require any assistance or advice regarding school uniform, please contact the relevant School Office in term-time, or the Bursar's section in the holiday period.

Prep School: prepschool@birkdaleschool.org.uk 0114 267 0407

Senior School: enquiries@birkdaleschool.org.uk 0114 266 8408

Bursar's Department: accounts@birkdaleschool.org.uk 0114 266 8400

Where do I purchase Birkdale uniform?

Birkdale's School Uniform and PE provider is Schoolblazer and the Games Kit supplier is Tacklebag.

Details are below:

www.schoolblazer.com

From 26th June 2020 Schoolblazer will be the supplier of the school's uniform and PE kit. It offers a fully online ordering and delivery service. The website will take you through a step by step process to ensure sizing is accurate. They have a free returns policy. Schoolblazer

have a name taping service whereby garments can be issued with your child's name sewn into items before dispatch. This will enable lost property to be returned to its owner as soon as possible. This will not affect returns. Schoolblazer also have a customer helpline tel. 0333 7000 703 if you have any individual questions regarding uniform that cannot be resolved via the website.

www.tacklebag.co.uk/schools/birkdale-school/

The games kit is supplied by Tacklebag, which is an online ordering service.

D-2 Second Hand Uniform

Regular sales of second hand uniform and sportswear are held in aid of Friends of Birkdale School (FOBS). The School Office will be able to supply you with details. (NB. Due to the change to the new supplier the school will not have stocks of second hand uniform for the new items in the short term until stocks build up.)

D-3 Prep and Pre-Prep Uniform

Book bags are required for all pupils at the Prep School are available for purchase from the Prep School Office while stocks last.

Trouser Uniform (traditionally BOYS uniform)

Compulsory from Schoolblazer

	Pre-Prep PP1-PP3	Prep P1-P4
• School Blazer (not required in Pre-Prep)		✓
• School Red Crested V Neck Jersey	✓	✓
• School Tie (not required in Pre-Prep)		✓
• School Mid Grey Trousers/Shorts (Shorts recommended for summer term)	✓	✓
• School Navy Crested Sweatshirt & Joggers	✓	
• White Crested Polo Shirt with school crest, for PE and summer sports	✓	
• Shoe bag, navy	✓	✓
• School Stormproof Raincoat *	✓	✓
• PE Shorts	✓	✓
• PE Top		✓

****We have some stock of the previous JLP raincoat which is of a very similar design to the new style and is available at reduced cost from the school office.***

Further Compulsory items

Some of these items are available from Schoolblazer but can be purchased elsewhere.

• Grey ankle socks	✓	✓
• Shirt: white, short or long sleeved (short is advised)	✓	✓

• Shoes: plain black leather (not boots or trainers)	✓	✓
• Gym shoes/Plimsolls	✓	
• Gym or training shoes (non-marking soles) - for Games		✓
• Navy Swimming Trunks (not Bermuda or baggy please)	✓	✓
• Towel (to use after PE, Rugby/Soccer/Swimming)	✓	✓
• Football/Rugby boots – Christmas/Easter terms		✓

Compulsory from Tacklebag: P1-P4 only

• Waterproof Top		✓
• Stadium Pants: (tracksuit bottoms)		✓
• Reversible Jersey Shirt		✓
• Rugby Shorts: navy blue		✓
• School Colours Sports Socks		✓
Tacklebag also offer a range of <i>optional</i> items: Baselayer (top/leggings)/Hoody/Beanie Hat/Sports Bag		

Skirt Uniform (traditionally GIRLS Uniform)

	Pre-Prep PP1-PP3	Prep P1-P4
Compulsory from Schoolblazer		
• School Blazer (not required for Pre Prep)		✓
• School Red Crested Cardigan	✓	
• School Red Crested V Neck Jersey		✓
• School Pinafore	✓	
• School Navy Crested Sweatshirt & Joggers	✓	
• School Skirt (length no higher than 2cm above the knee)		✓
• White Crested Polo Shirt, for PE and summer sports	✓	
• Shoe bag, navy	✓	✓
• School Stormproof Raincoat *	✓	✓
• PE Shorts or Navy cycling short (Crested for P1 upwards)	✓	✓
• PE Top		✓
• Summer Dress (Optional but recommended for Summer term, available spring 2021)	✓	✓

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Further Compulsory items

Some of these items are available from Schoolblazer but can be purchased elsewhere.

• White ankle socks	✓	✓
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• Red Tights	✓	
• Navy Tights		✓
• Shirt: Revere collar white, short or long sleeved (short is advised)	✓	✓
• Shoes: plain black leather (not boots or trainers)	✓	✓
• Gym shoes/Plimsolls	✓	
• Gym or training shoes (non-marking soles) - for Sports		✓
• Navy swimming costume (not bikini)	✓	✓
• Towel (to use after PE, Rugby/Soccer/Swimming)	✓	✓
• Football/Rugby/Hockey boots – Christmas/Easter terms (as required)		✓
• Navy leotard (optional)	✓	

Compulsory from Tacklebag: P1-P4 only

• Waterproof Top (1/4 zip rain jacket, Girls fit)	✓
• Stadium Pants: (tracksuit bottoms)	✓
• Navy Games Skort or Shorts	✓
• Games Polo Junior(Girls fit)	✓
• School Colours Sports Socks	✓
Tacklebag also offer a range of <i>optional</i> items: Baselayer (top/leggings) /Hoody/Beanie Hat/Sports Bag	