

# Leigh Academy Hartley

## School Uniform Policy

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### Revision Log (last 5 changes)

<b>Date</b>	<b>Version No</b>	<b>Brief detail of change</b>
Sept 2020	1.1	Merged boys and girls uniform. Changed bag type to drawstring bag for years 2-6. Changed PE kit requirements - children to wear kit to school on PE days. Tracksuits to be black not any dark colour.
Sept 2021	1.2	Addition of the word 'plain' and 'no large brand logos' to tracksuit/shorts description.
Sept 2022	1.3	Reviewed by B Dutton
July 2023		Black shoes (no higher than the ankle bone). <b>Trainers are not allowed.</b> We recognise several

		retail outlets sell 'trainer looking' school shoes, as such we do not consider branded trainers or plimsolls to be formal school shoes). Shoes must be 'closed' i.e. not peep-toes or sling backs.
July 2023		One pair of small silver or gold stud earrings may be worn, one in each lobe. The studs need to be discreet and not overhang your child's ears. No hooped or dangly earrings.

### School Uniform

We are proud of our school uniform; it is designed to be simple and practical and solves the daily problem of what to wear – it is not a fashion statement! More importantly, it gives a sense of belonging and pride. We are also extremely aware of the potential cost of uniforms to parents and families; with regards to this cost, non-branded uniforms from major retailers are definitely permitted. At points throughout the school year, we will also be having a 'second hand collection' of uniform that doesn't fit any more in order to pass on to other children.

**Uniform:** all children are expected to wear full school uniform on non-PE days:

- Grey or black trousers, shorts (tailored not casual or sports shorts) skirt or pinafore dress.
- White shirt/polo shirt – which must be worn tucked in.
- Red sweatshirt, cardigan or fleece.
- White/grey/black socks.
- Black shoes (no higher than the ankle bone). **Trainers are not allowed.**  
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- Summer dress - red check.
- Red, grey or black tights.

**P.E. and Games Uniform:** all children are expected to wear their P.E. kit on their P.E days:

- Plain black shorts or black tracksuit with no large brand logos.
- P.E. T-shirt in House colours:
  - Leopards – Green
  - Lions – Red
  - Pumas – Blue
  - Tigers – Yellow
- Suitable sports trainers.

Jewellery such as watches and stud earrings must be removed and longer hair must be tied back. It is preferable that children do not wear watches and earrings to school on P.E days.

### **Outdoor Learning:**

- Our youngest pupils take part in outdoor activities on a daily basis. Please can we ask that waterproof clothing and wellington boots are kept in school for all Reception children.

Uniform, including school sweatshirts/polo shirts and P.E. shirts bearing the school logo can be purchased online via Brigade: [www.brigadeuniformdirect.uk.com](http://www.brigadeuniformdirect.uk.com).

**Non-branded uniforms are acceptable and are available from major retail outlets.**

### **Personal Property:**

Please make sure all school uniforms are named. If it is not named, it is very difficult to reunite children with lost property! The academy accepts no liability for personal property with regard to loss. Lost Property is collected in black bins, which are located in the Link Corridor.

### **Jewellery:**

Children should not be wearing jewellery in school. If children are wearing a watch, it remains the child's responsibility throughout the day. One pair of small silver or gold stud earrings may be worn, one in each lobe. The studs need to be discreet and not overhang your child's ears. No hooped or dangly earrings. Jewellery must be removed or earrings covered with micropore tape (each child must bring their own supply) for P.E. We have no means of storing items securely, therefore we strongly recommend that jewellery is left at home on P.E. days. We are not allowed to remove or assist with replacing stud earrings.

### **Nail Varnish, Hair Gel, Hair Colours and other Fashion Accessories:**

We understand that young people enjoy dressing up, trying out different 'looks' and new effects but this is not appropriate in school. We ask that nail varnish, temporary tattoos, make-up, coloured hair and extreme hairstyles are reserved for weekends and holidays. Hairbands should not be embellished with bows, glitter, flowers or other decorations.

### **School Bags:**

An appropriate, waterproof and sealable bag should be purchased for the protection of all school items. Designer handbags, large rucksacks and holdalls are not acceptable as they take up too much space and block corridors as they will not fit on coat pegs.

Our preferred style of bag for Reception and Year 1 is a book bag so children are able to carry their books and letters to and from school.

Children in Years 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6 should bring a **drawstring** bag which will not take up too much space on their pegs.