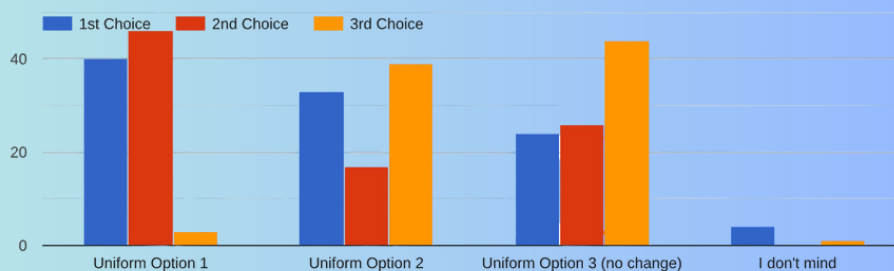




# School Uniform Consultation

## Results at a glance...

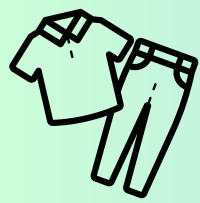
Option 1 was the most popular choice, pulling in the most 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> place votes. The school will therefore adopt option 1 in its entirety but having listened to feedback will still maintain a branded top.



Your Feedback	Our Response	Our Actions
<b>School Identity &amp; Pride:</b> Parents strongly value branded uniform items (like logo jumpers) for fostering a sense of belonging, pride, and clear school identification within the community and on trips.	The majority of school staff and pupils agree with this feedback.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Keep a mandatory branded school sweatshirt or cardigan.</li></ul>
<b>Affordability &amp; Cost:</b> There's widespread appreciation for the school's efforts to keep uniform costs down, with parents valuing affordability.	The school remains committed to keeping uniform costs low and stands ready and willing to support families with costs and opportunities to buy uniform second hand.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Change supplier to Mapac.</li><li>Change to a non-knitted sweatshirt/cardigan which reduces cost by approx £12.</li><li>Offer financial help to families where needed.</li></ul>
<b>PE Kit Practicality:</b> The idea of a separate, comfortable PE kit is welcomed, especially for outdoor (OPAL) activities, reducing the need for changes at school. However, concerns were raised about white PE tops getting dirty easily, suggesting darker colours would be more practical.	The Leadership Team investigated concerns regarding white PE tops but found difficulties in sourcing suitable blue/black alternatives. There was concern about consistency of shade and the increased chance of slogans appearing on tops.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Keep a separate PE Kit to be worn into school on PE days.</li><li>Change from coloured to plain, white t-shirts.</li></ul>
<b>Preference for Shirts:</b> Some parents prefer collared shirts (with ties) over polo shirts, feeling they look smarter, promote a serious learning environment, and better prepare children for secondary school.	We asked the children their thoughts on this. All classes voted to wear a polo shirt without a tie. Ties can be a health and safety risk for children.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Change from a collared shirt to a white polo shirt throughout the school.</li><li>Ties will no longer be worn.</li></ul>





## Summary of changes...

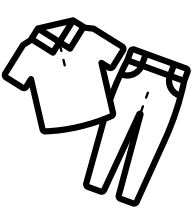
- Replace existing branded knitted jumper with a new sweatshirt/cardigan from new supplier Mapac.
- Replace collared shirt with white polo shirt.
- No ties.
- Replace coloured PE t-shirts with plain white t-shirts.
- Children can wear navy blue OR black bottoms in PE.
- Coloured PE sweatshirts will no longer be available or form part of the uniform. Children will be able to wear a school sweatshirt/cardigan or navy blue/black sweatshirt on PE days.
- Introduce OPAL kit to be left in school in case of wet weather.



# School Uniform

## September 2025

<p><b>Regular School Uniform</b></p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Navy Blue sweatshirt or cardigan with school logo (new style)</li><li>• White polo shirt</li><li>• Plain, dark grey trousers/shorts/skirt/pinafore dress/culottes or red/white checked Gingham Dress</li><li>• Plain dark colour or white socks or tights</li><li>• Plain, flat black shoes.</li></ul>
<p><b>PE Kit</b></p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Plain white, round neck, t-shirt</li><li>• Navy blue/black shorts or tracksuit bottoms</li><li>• Navy blue/black sweatshirt (no hoodies) OR sweatshirt/cardigan with school logo</li><li>• Black/white plimsolls or trainers</li><li>• <b>PE Kit should be worn into school on PE days.</b></li></ul>
<p><b>OPAL Kit</b></p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Wellies</li><li>• Waterproof jacket</li><li>• Waterproof trousers and/or rain/puddle suits are advisable.</li><li>• <b>This should be sent in a named bag and stored at school.</b></li></ul>
<p><b>Expectations</b></p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Please do not send your child to school dressed in any other casual/branded clothing.</li><li>• All items of uniform should be clearly named.</li><li>• Hair accessories must be of a small discrete nature and large coloured bows are not permitted.</li><li>• Earrings are to be stud style and removed at home on days when your child has PE. Alternatively your child will have to remove them.</li><li>• Watches are permitted to be worn by children.</li><li>• Jewellery/nail varnish and make up are not permitted at any time in school.</li><li>• Hair – Long hair should be tied back.</li><li>• School bags should be small in size for ease of storage.</li></ul>

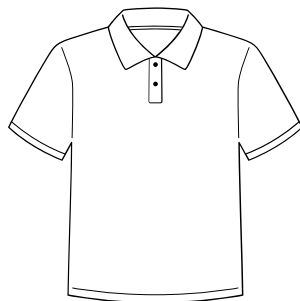


# South Borough Uniform Visuals

## Regular Uniform



Navy Blue sweatshirt or cardigan  
with school logo (new style)

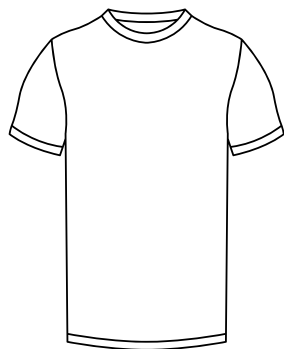


White polo shirt



Plain, dark grey trousers, shorts, skirt,  
pinafore dress, culottes or red/white  
checked Gingham Dress

## PE Kit



Plain white, round  
neck, t-shirt



Navy blue/black shorts or tracksuit bottoms



Navy blue/black sweatshirt (no  
hoodies) OR sweatshirt/cardigan  
with school logo



Black/white plimsolls or trainers

## OPAL Kit

These items should be sent to school in a named bag to be left at school. They can be any colour.



Wellies



Waterproof Jacket



Waterproof trousers/puddle suit



# Mapac - our new uniform supplier

## Branded sweatshirts/cardigans

- All children must wear a sweatshirt or cardigan with the school logo. There are no other branded items of uniform available at the present time.
- Mapac will be supplying South Borough's new branded sweatshirts/cardigans. The garments produced by this company wash better, last longer and are approx £12 cheaper.
- We would like all children to wear the new style sweatshirt/cardigan from their first day in September 2025.
- Sweatshirts will cost **£9.65**. Cardigans will cost **£10.90**
- All other uniform items can be sourced from high street shops/supermarkets.

## Ordering Process

First sweatshirt/cardigan (July 2025 orders)	Future sweatshirts/cardigans (September 2025 onwards)
<p>To ensure every child gets a new sweatshirt in time for September, we are placing the first order directly with Mapac.</p> <p>Parents can order and pay for their child's <u>first</u> sweatshirt/cardigan via Parentpay. <b><u>Please only order 1.</u></b></p> <p>These will be available to collect from school during 1st/2<sup>nd</sup> September INSET days. We will contact each year group with timings.</p>	<p>The dedicated South Borough section of the MAPAC website will be up and running from September (date TBC).</p> <p>All subsequent orders for sweatshirts and cardigans must be made via the Mapac website.</p> <p>Parents will pay Mapac directly. Uniform can be delivered to school free of charge or to your home address for a postage charge.</p> <p>Parentpay will no longer be used and the school will no longer stock items.</p>

## Can I get financial assistance with school uniform?

The school is keen for all children to begin school in September 2025 with the new branded sweatshirt/cardigan. If you require any financial assistance with this, please speak to Mrs Jensen in the school office in confidence.