



Brighstone C.E. Aided Primary School

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Phased introduction of new PE T-Shirt

Dear parents/carers,

Following last year's consultation regarding the changing of our PE T-shirt, the decision has been made to make the change to a navy blue sports top. We reviewed feedback from parents/carers, staff and the children themselves who love our new football kits (similar design and material). Whilst a few parents were opposed to the change of t-shirt, the majority supported the change with comments such as:

- "A much more practical colour for hiding grass and mud stains... Thank you!"
- "It's difficult to keep on top of staining from mud etc for my son particularly, who plays in most sports clubs. His tops are washed daily, but the white cotton doesn't wash well with such intense use."
- "I think they look smart and are in keeping with sports kits used by other schools. Think this is more important for the older year groups. Easier to clean (hate cleaning grass stains and mud from white cotton!) No ironing! Quicker to dry, if washing between sports sessions."
- "The material will be much better for the children to wear."

You can buy the new t-shirt from <https://www.pendlesportswear.co.uk/>. When you go to the website, scroll to the very bottom of the homepage and click on 'school shop' under the heading of FOOTBALL KIT. You are then given the option of searching for 'Brighstone Primary School'.

Mr Goldsmith has been busy "shopping around" and negotiating prices to ensure we can offer you the best price. The current price is £9.49.



Direct link to PE t-shirt: <https://brighstone-c-of-e-primary-school.pendlesportswear.co.uk/kits/188737-atlanta-tshirt-navy-white/>

You will see that other items are available in the Brighstone Shop, such as hoodies, shorts and personalised (initials) PE t-shirts; whilst these will be part of our uniform policy from September 2023, only the t-shirt will be compulsory as a change to the current white t-shirt. Please note that the shorts and Atlanta rain bottoms do not have our school logo on.

Suggested age	Size label	To fit chest size
Ages 4 - 5	XS	22/24"
Ages 6 - 7	S	26/28"
Ages 8 - 10	SY	30/32"
Ages 11 - 13	Y	34/36"
Ages 14+	S-M	38/40"

We still have some white t-shirts in stock in school but we will not be ordering any more from our current supplier and we will have a small amount of the new t-shirts available to buy from the school office from Monday 23rd January, if you prefer to buy directly from us in the first instance.

To summarise:

- Children can wear the white t-shirt OR blue t-shirt from now until the end of this academic year – 19th July 2023.
- From September 2023, children will be expected to wear the blue t-shirt.
- You can buy the blue t-shirt online from Pendle OR from the school office (depending on available stock).
- We will continue to stock all other uniform items.
- You have the option online to add your child's initials for an extra cost; this is not, and will not, become compulsory.
- Navy hoodies (either plain or with school logo) are preferable to cardigans/sweatshirts on PE days.

Yours sincerely,



Mrs Lennon and the Brighstone Team