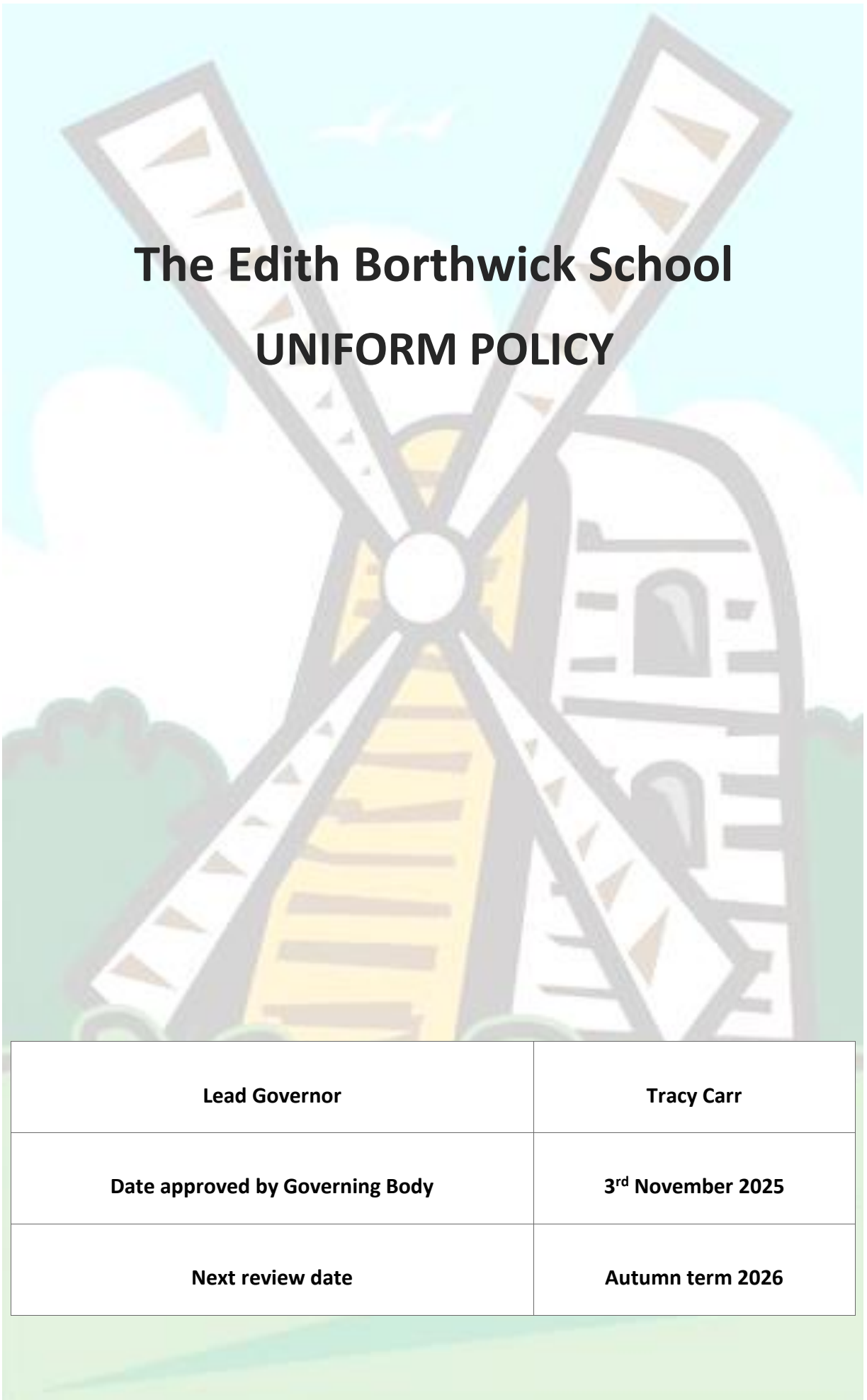


A stylized illustration of a windmill with four sails, each featuring a yellow and brown striped pattern. The windmill is positioned in front of a school building with a large arched entrance and several windows. The background is a light blue sky with white clouds and a green field at the bottom. The text "The Edith Borthwick School" and "UNIFORM POLICY" is centered over the illustration.

The Edith Borthwick School

UNIFORM POLICY

Lead Governor	Tracy Carr
Date approved by Governing Body	3rd November 2025
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1. Introduction

At the Edith Borthwick School we believe that our school uniform promotes the ethos of the school, provides our learners with a sense of belonging and identity and helps our learners to follow a routine, associating particular clothing as a cue for going to school.

When developing our Uniform Policy, careful consideration was given to cost as well as the practical requirements, personal care and comfort needed for our children and young adults throughout their day at school.

All learners (until the end of Year 11) wear school uniform. Years 12, 13, and 14 are able to wear their own clothes as long as they are sensible and appropriate for school (not revealing).

Whilst we fully encourage families to follow our school uniform policy, there will be no discipline for pupils who choose not to wear school uniform for personal reasons.

2. Uniform specification

Our school uniform consists of:

- black or grey trousers or tracksuit bottoms
- black or grey skirt or shorts
- white or royal blue polo neck t-shirt or round neck t-shirt
- royal blue jumper, fleece or cardigan
- black shoes, trainers or sturdy sandals (with back straps) for summer – no sliders or flip flops
- blue and white gingham dress for summer, if preferred.

We are mindful of the cost to parents/carers, so you have the choice of either the branded clothes from our uniform supplier or supermarket alternatives.

New parents and carers are given information in their welcome pack which provides information about ordering and delivery of uniform which is available to purchase all year round.

Our main school uniform supplier is Personalise. They are a family run business based in Witham who have a store front open from Monday to Thursday 9am - 5pm. Uniform can be tried on and purchased in the store or ordered online. They will assist with sizing and offer both a collection and delivery service.

Our other school uniform supplier is My Clothing. My Clothing are an online business with over 30 years of expertise. They offer a delivery service which is usually within 14 days.

The combination of uniform is chosen by parents and carers according to what they feel is most comfortable, affordable and suitable for the physical needs of their child. We appreciate that it may not always be possible for students to fit into certain clothing, particularly if they have undergone surgery or have specific feeding, medical, sensory or moving and handling requirements.

2.1 PE clothing

We try to encourage our learners to wear comfortable clothing and non-slip shoes for days when they will have a PE lesson – parents and carers will be informed in advance of the days that PE is timetabled.