

Bridge Hall Primary School

“Where Every Child Matters and Every Day Counts”



School Uniform Policy

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1. Policy Rationale

It is our policy that children should wear uniform when attending Bridge Hall Primary School. The Governing Board agrees with the DfE which strongly encourages schools to have a uniform as it can play a valuable role in contributing to the ethos of a school and setting an appropriate tone.

The school welcomes children from all backgrounds and faiths. It is the responsibility of all parents/carers to ensure that their child arrives at school in accordance to the School Uniform Policy. Should an item of clothing prove problematic for a pupil with disabilities, then parents/carers are invited to draw this to the attention of the Head Teacher.

The Governing Board supports the Head Teacher in implementing the school uniform policy. It considers representations from parents/carers regarding this policy and takes into account equal opportunities. The Governors ensure that the school uniform policy helps children dress sensibly and safely in clothing that is hardwearing, good value, safe and practical. It considers all representations from parents regarding the uniform policy and liaises with the Head Teacher to ensure that the policy is implemented fairly and with sensitivity. It is the Governors' responsibility to ensure that the school uniform meets all regulations concerning equal opportunities.

2. Parents and Carers

We ask all parents/ carers who send their children to our school to support the school uniform policy. We believe that parents have a duty to send their children to school correctly dressed and ready for their daily schoolwork.

Parents/Carers should ensure their child has the correct school uniform, appropriate for the weather conditions and it is clean and named.

The school uniform is as follows:

- Navy blue sweatshirt /cardigan, with or without the school logo on
- Blue shirt or polo shirt with collar
- Plain dark skirt or trousers (tailored shorts may be worn in the summer)
- Plain dark pinafore dress
- Plain blue/ grey/ black/ white socks or tights
- Flat, black, plain school shoes or ankle boots. Boots must not be 'UGG' style and should not come above the ankle
- Waterproof coat
- Summer uniform: blue checked summer dress / tailored school shorts
- Wellington boots may be worn to school but children must have their school shoes to change in to

Sweatshirts and cardigans, with the school logo, can be purchased at the school office. We now sell plain polo shirts (without a logo). There is a current price list available at the School Office.

A school PE kit is provided by the school. Parents/ carers should provide a pair of suitable plimsolls or trainers.

We operate a 'good as new' policy and when available, donated uniform will be available during the food collection each week or by contacting our Welfare Assistant.

3. Jewellery, Hair and Make- Up

Children are expected to leave jewellery, make up and fashion hairstyles for the weekends and holiday times.

Extreme hairstyles are not appropriate for school. The use of styling products should be kept to a minimum and children should not have decorative patterns or 'tram lines' cut into their hair or have their hair coloured or dyed. For health and safety reasons and to ensure it does not distract from learning, we advise that long hair be tied back with a plain dark bobble. Any plain clips and hairbands must be discreet and only used to secure hair away from the face. Large, colourful bows (including Jo-Jo style bows) and hairbands should not be worn.

For health and safety reasons we do not allow any jewellery to be worn at school. Children may wear a watch, however the school does not accept responsibility for any valuables brought to school and advises that any possessions should be left at home. If your child does wear earrings they must be stud only and children must be able to remove them themselves in order to take part in PE lessons. All children legally have to take part in PE lessons. We encourage children to leave jewellery at home on PE day, therefore if your child is unable to remove their earrings by themselves you will be expected to come to school to do it for them in time for PE lesson.

Children should not wear make-up and should not have their nails painted. They should not wear false nails.

4. Book Bags

Every child will be given a book bag when they start Bridge Hall Primary School. Additional book bags can be bought from the school office for approximately £3.

This policy will be reviewed every 3 years.