

# BISHOPSTEIGNTON PRIMARY SCHOOL

## Governing Board

### School Uniform Policy

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This policy also applies to our Breakfast Club and After School Club which are both based on our school site for current pupils

## Introduction

At Bishopsteignton Primary School, we feel it is important to have a school uniform because it helps to:

- develop the ethos of the school;
- identify pupils with the school;
- support teaching and learning;
- promote a sense of pride in the school;
- promote a sense of community and belonging towards the school;
- support health and safety;
- promote equality;
- and is considered good value for money.

**Appendix A** lists the school uniform items.

Under the Equality Act 2010 we have a duty not to discriminate against people on the basis of their age, disability, gender, gender identity, pregnancy or maternity, race, religion or belief and sexual orientation.

We believe that all pupils will be able to wear this uniform. This policy is in line with the Equality Act 2010 as it does not prioritise or disadvantage any pupil.

## The Role of Governors

The Governing Board has responsibility

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- for ensuring that the school complies with all equalities legislation;
- for ensuring this policy and all policies are maintained and updated regularly;
- for ensuring this policy is on the school website;
- of involving the parents and children if changes need to be made to this policy;
- to ensure that the school uniform meets all regulations concerning equal opportunities;
- for considering, with the headteacher, any requests from parents for individual children with regard to school uniform e.g. for religious reasons
- for ensuring the school uniform meets safety requirements and practicality
- for ensuring that the school uniform is considered to be good value for money.
- and for the monitoring and evaluation of this policy.

### The role of the Headteacher

The governing board supports the headteacher in implementing the school uniform policy and has delegated to the Headteacher the responsibility

- of implementing and maintaining this policy.
- for ensuring all school personnel and visitors to the school are aware of and comply with this policy.
- to deal with any issues around compliance with this policy.
- to process any complaints about this policy, following the school's complaints procedures.

### The role of parents

- We ask all parents who send their children to our school to support the school uniform policy.
- We ask all parents to ensure that their child has the correct uniform, and that it is clean and in good repair.
- We ask all parents to ensure all uniform is labelled with their child's name.
- We ask all parents to ensure that their child has their PE Kit on the days they need it.

The school welcomes children from all backgrounds and faith communities. If there are serious reasons, for example on religious grounds, why parents want their child to wear clothes that differ from the school uniform, please speak to the Headteacher.

If a parent, for any reason, has difficulties with ensuring their child has to correct uniform, please speak to the Headteacher. Parents should be assured that we will do all we can to help.

### Monitoring and Review

The governing board monitors and reviews the school uniform policy through its committee work by:

- seeking the views of parents, to ensure that they agree with and support the policy;
- via the parent survey;
- considering, with the headteacher, any requests from parents for individual children to have special dispensation with regard to school uniform.

We will consult with parents/carers, pupils, school personnel about any changes to the present school uniform. Parents and pupils will be informed well in advance of any changes to this policy.

This policy will be reviewed every 2 years.

### Jewellery, and Nail Varnish

For many reasons, including safety, we do not allow children to wear jewellery. The exceptions to this rule are ear-ring studs in pierced ears.

Medical identification bracelets may be worn by children who have significant medical problems e.g. diabetes or epilepsy.

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Make up and nail varnish should not be worn to school.

### **Physical Education (P.E.)**

On PE days, pupils are asked to wear their PE kit to school. Days will change throughout the year and these will be frequently communicated and also available to check on the parent page of our website. P.E. kit can be purchased from a supplier with logo or correct colours sourced by parents.

All school uniform and P.E. kit **MUST** be named. Children can become upset as a result of lost clothing; please help us by naming everything.

For health and safety reasons children are not permitted to wear earrings for P.E. You will be advised when your child's P.E. lessons take place so that earrings can be removed. Alternatively, the teachers can apply medical tape to the studs to cover them for the lesson. Please note teachers are not permitted to remove earrings.

### **Footwear**

For health and safety reasons we do not allow children to wear shoes with platform soles or high heels. All children are required to wear plain dark shoes (no high heels or open toes for safety reasons) or dark trainers.

Children who arrive at school wearing non-school uniform clothing will be reminded of the expectations in a friendly, supportive way and parents will be contacted if needed.

### **Second-hand uniform**

Any second-hand uniform is handled and organised by Friends of Bishopsteignton School (FOBS) and they will have this available at all of their main events during the year. Alternatively, FOBS can be contacted directly to enquire about and purchase any appropriate uniform at 50p an item. Contacts for FOBS can be given through the school office.

### **Lost property and School uniform**

As previously stated, all items of uniform should be named and therefore support the quick return of lost property. Those items without names will be collected in a box in the school office where parents can ask to come and look through if they have any missing items. At regular intervals in the year, the lost property will be put out in the playground for parents to double check for missing items. Any lost property that remains in the box at the end of the year will either be recycled through FOBS or donated to a local charity.

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### **Appendix A**

#### **School Uniform List**

- Navy blue school jumper, cardigan or sweatshirt (with or without logo)
- Pale blue school polo shirt (with or without logo)
- Grey, black or navy trousers or shorts
- Navy or grey skirt or dress (summer - blue gingham dress)
- Plain dark shoes (no high heels or open toes for safety reasons) or dark trainers
- White or navy socks in summer, grey or navy tights in winter

Apart from the clothing of the list with a school logo, all other items can be bought from High Street shops and supermarkets.

#### **P.E. Kit**

The P.E. kit includes

- Navy shorts or jogging bottoms
- Navy T-Shirt (with or without logo)
- Plain dark trainers
- Navy sweatshirt