



# Uniform Policy

## Principles

It is our policy that all children should wear clothing that is in keeping with a purposeful learning ethos, and which is cost effective. We provide a complete list of the items needed for children's school uniform in this policy and on our school website.

Any child who attracts the Pupil Premium Funding, will be entitled to one full set of branded uniform on joining the school. This will be drawn to parents' attention during enrolment.

## Aims

Our policy for children's school uniform is based on the belief that a school uniform

- fosters a sense of pride in the school
- promotes a feeling of community and belonging
- is practical and smart
- identifies the children with the school
- is not distracting in class (as fashion clothes might be)
- makes children feel equal to their peers in terms of appearance
- is regarded as suitable, and good value for money, by most parents
- has been designed with health and safety in mind.

## Our Uniform

### All children need:

- Red school jumper/cardigan, with or without school logo (a red jumper with the school logo is preferred for school trips and sporting events)
- Red or white polo shirt with or without school logo or plain white shirt
- Grey/black trousers or grey/black tailored shorts/culottes or grey/black skirt/pinafore dress. Red gingham dresses may be worn in the summer term.
- Plain black/ white/ grey socks or black/grey/red tights
- Smart plain black shoes/ smart plain black trainer. Plain black boots may be worn in the winter term. Plain red, white or black sandals may be worn in the summer term.

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Red fleece jackets with the school logo are available, but are optional

Wellington boots for children in years 5 and 6 can be used in the winter months if they wish to play on the field.

Leggings, hoodies or zipped tops are **not** part of our school uniform.

**For PE all children need:**

- Plain t-shirt in the following colours, dependent on the house your child belongs to. The colour from JTL Embroidery is in brackets, if you choose to order from them:
  - Archimedes: Red (Bright Red)
  - Brunel: Blue (Bright Royal)
  - Keller: Green (Bottle Green)
  - Kahlo: Yellow (Yellow)
- Black PE shorts
- Tracksuit (grey or black) for outdoor P.E.
- Separate fleece/sweatshirt
- A pair of trainers for PE
- A pair of spare black/white/grey socks
- PE bag clearly named on the outside
- Plastic bag for muddy shoes

Year 5 and 6 need mouth guards and shin pads

PE kits should be kept in school all week and be fully named.

**All clothing should be clearly labelled with your child's name.**

This is especially important, as uniform items look similar and can easily be confused for another child's. The school cannot accept responsibility for any lost items.

**Jewellery**

One pair of small plain studs is permitted in pierced ears. These must be removed for any sporting activity. For newly pierced ears we do allow surgical tape to be used, but we strongly recommend that ear piercing takes place at the beginning of the Summer holidays to allow time for ears to heal.

On health and safety grounds we do not allow children to wear any other jewellery in our school, other than watches.

**Make up and Cosmetics**

Make up, including nail varnish, or any nail decoration, is not considered appropriate or consistent with our school uniform. The school does not permit

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such products to be worn by any child unless there is a specific event for which the Head has given permission.

### **Hair**

Hair needs to be of a natural colour and hairstyles should be appropriate for a primary school child. Hair bands or bows should be plain red, black or grey and discrete.

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## **Roles**

### **Role of the Class Teachers and Support Staff**

- Set a good example in terms of dress.
- Remember that in our respective roles we serve the local community as a set of professionals.
- The class teacher will speak to the parents of any pupil who does not wear the correct uniform. If they still are not wearing the correct uniform this is to be referred to the Head Teacher.

### **Role of the Head Teacher**

- Ensure that pupils comply with the uniform policy agreed by the governing body.
- Implement the school uniform policy throughout the school community, as part of the duty to maintain day to day discipline in the school.
- Speak to the parents of children who persistently do not wear the correct uniform.

### **Role of the Parents/Guardians**

- To ensure that their child / children adhere to the school's uniform policy.
- Ensure that they come to school in uniform everyday unless there are special circumstances such as non-uniform days.
- To ensure that all uniform is labelled correctly and clearly.

## **Equality and Diversity**

All children have equal access to wearing school uniform regardless of their culture, race, religion, gender, disability or ability. We ensure that the set uniform respects other policies such as the Equalities Act and the Human Rights Act, and allows for individual sets of circumstances of all groups and individuals.

In the absence of any national guidelines on the wearing of religious dress in school, the National Education Union has published its own. These guidelines have been drawn up after widespread consultation, including the convening by the NEU of a 'think-tank' on the wearing of the hijab. The work of this seminar forms the basis of the guidance. Bloxham Primary School will follow this guidance as part of its School Uniform Policy, and will review any requests from parents on an individual basis.

Bloxham Primary school is committed to creating a positive learning environment that will enable everyone to work free from any type of intimidation and harassment and to achieve their full potential.

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