

# Bolton Brow Primary Academy School Uniform Policy

#### 1. Introduction

This policy is a statement of the aims, principles, and strategies for standards of presentation in terms of children and their school uniform.

## 2. Rationale

- Parents/carers are clear about what is expected of their children.
- Pupils are clear about what is expected of them.
- Staff are clear about what is acceptable and unacceptable presentation and appearance.

### 3. Objectives and principles

Having a school uniform which all pupils are expected to adhere to is important because:

- Children feel a greater sense of belonging and commitment to a whole school community.
- Children develop pride in being part of the school community.
- The children's presentation reflects the high standards which we set in school and improves the image of the school in the local community.
- Children set themselves high personal standards.
- Differences between the children are reduced which can lead to higher self esteem.

#### 4. Approaches

School Uniform should be worn by all children from Reception class onwards. It is expected that parents and carers will support their children to wear the school uniform and it forms part of the Home-School Agreement.

The School Uniform consists of:

- Grey or black trousers, shorts, pinafore, or skirt
- White or navy-blue polo-shirt (logo optional) or white or blue shirt.
- Navy blue jumper or cardigan (logo optional)
- Plain **black** shoes/trainers which are appropriate for playing out in sport trainers may be worn on a Monday & Friday for the 1 K run.
- Grey or navy-blue tights or white, grey or black socks
- Optional blue and white checked summer dress

#### Every child in Reception also needs a PE kit which should comprise of:

- A draw string bag
- Navy shorts or navy/ black leggings
- A t-shirt matching their House team colour (logo optional)
- Pumps or trainers
- During winter months, children may bring plain dark coloured jogging bottoms and sweatshirt or a track suit.

## Children in Years 1 to 6 should come to school in their PE kit – see above.

Children should not wear any other fashion accessories.

Jewellery should not be worn however a wristwatch and a pair of plain gold or silver stud earrings, or a single stud earring worn in the lobe of the ear is acceptable. On PE days, children will be responsible for their own jewellery when it is removed. Children who are unable to remove their own earrings should not wear them on PE days.

Make-up is not permitted, and this also includes nail varnish.

Hair must be neat and tidy with no 'extreme' styles or unnatural colours. Fashion styles, including very short hair with patterns etc. cut into the hair are not permitted. Long hair must be tied back using ribbons or headbands which are plain blue, black or white in colour.

During warmer weather, children should bring a hat to wear at playtimes to protect themselves from the sun (see Sun protection policy).

All uniform and coats should be clearly labelled with children's names. Named items are returned to children directly. Other lost items are put into Lost Property. Lost property is kept for a half term then emptied and either disposed of, taken to a charity shop or kept in school store for any family who is facing financial difficulty.

5. The school has a supply of pre-loved uniform provision. This is made available to all families throughout the year.

We do this to help our families access uniform at a reduced cost, to extend the life of items that children grow out of quickly and to promote a positive eco-friendly culture of contributing and reusing.

Please contact the school office for more information.

#### 6. Monitoring and Evaluation

All staff will monitor the implementation of this policy every day in general observation. Comments will also be taken into account from other stakeholders and agencies including the local community, parents, governors and visitors to the school.

If children are not provided with the appropriate uniform by parents, the class teacher, or a member of the Senior Leadership Team will contact the parents/carers to discuss how this can be achieved.

#### 7. Review

The policy will be formally reviewed in the summer term if not deemed necessary before.

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