



Bere Regis Primary and Pre-school - School Uniform Policy

Within our school we promote an atmosphere which encourages effort, enjoyment and a celebration of the achievements of all our pupils. Our concern for these high standards is also reflected in the pride we take in our school uniform and the feeling of belonging that it creates.

It is our school policy that all children wear school uniform when attending school or participating in a school organised event outside of normal school hours. Pre-school parents may choose if children wear school uniform.

The uniform is part of our school ethos and in coming to Bere Regis Primary and Pre-school, parents agree to support our policy.

Aims and Objectives

Our policy for uniform is based on the belief that school uniform:

- Promotes a sense of pride in the school and has a positive impact on behaviour and attitudes in school;
- Develops a sense of community and belonging towards the school;
- Identifies children within our school when taking part in out of school educational visits and activities;
- Is practical and looks smart;
- Supports our commitment to inclusion;
- Is not distracting in class;
- Is considered by most parents to be good value for money;
- Is designed with health and safety in mind.

Uniform with the school logo can be bought from School Trends <https://www.schooltrends.co.uk> All other items can be bought from a variety of shops and supermarkets at a reasonable price. Please ask the office for further information.

<p><u>Winter uniform:</u> White polo shirt Navy blue sweatshirt, fleece or cardigan with the school logo Grey skirt, pinafore dress, shorts or trousers Plain grey, black or navy tights or socks</p> <p><u>Summer option:</u> Blue/white checked dress White socks</p> <p>Black flat shoes (with fastening) or boots (no trainers or shoes that resemble trainers or shoes with logos)</p>	<p><u>P.E Kit – to be worn to school on P.E days only</u> T-shirt with school logo – in house colour Plain navy shorts Plain navy blue joggers or Plain navy leggings may be worn underneath shorts if preferred to joggers Jumper or fleece with school logo Trainers A waterproof jacket may be worn outside in wet weather</p> <p>Swimming: A one-piece swimming costume, swim shorts and swimming hat (for children with long hair)</p>
<p><u>Pre-school Uniform</u> T-shirt with pre-school logo – in key worker colour Plain navy blue joggers or Plain navy leggings Jumper, cardigan or fleece with school logo Suitable shoes for playing outside, e.g. trainers, plimsolls or flat shoes with Velcro fastening</p>	

***Please remember to clearly mark any clothing with your child's name.**

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Jewellery

For health and safety reasons we do not allow children to wear jewellery in school. The exceptions to this rule are one pair of plain stud earring in pierced ears, small items of jewellery of a religious nature and a watch. Jewellery should be removed for P.E., recently pierced ears should be taped over with a plaster.

Note: staff are not permitted to remove or put earrings back in.

Hair and Make-up

Hairstyles should be reasonable and appropriate for being in a learning environment at school. Extreme hairstyles, including shaved patterns into the scalp, tram lines, Mohicans and dyed or coloured hair are not acceptable. All children, girls and boys, are required to tie back long hair. Hair bands, ribbons or hair ties should be plain and either blue or black; they should not have large flowers or bows attached.

Children are not permitted to wear make-up of any description, including nail varnish or fake tattoos.

Water bottles

Please provide your child with a reusable water bottle, which should be brought in each day, filled with water. Children are not permitted to bring other drinks for the classroom, however they may bring an alternative bottle for their lunch time drink.

Role of Headteacher, Governing Body and Staff

The Headteacher:

- Implement and monitor the policy throughout the school community as part of the duty within maintenance of the day-to-day discipline in the school;
- Ensure the school uniform requirements are published on the school website;
- Has overall responsibility for ensuring standards are maintained;
- Is responsible for any disciplinary measures required for failing to follow the uniform rules;
- Issue letters to parents/carers as required.

The Governing Body:

- Support the Headteacher in implementing the school uniform policy;
- Liaise with the Headteacher to ensure the policy is implemented fairly and consistently;
- Consider any representation from parents regarding the uniform policy fairly and sensitively.

The staff:

- Dress appropriately; all staff should set a good example in what they wear in accordance with the Staff Dress Code;
- Issue school uniform policy reminder stickers as required;
- Make the Headteacher aware of consistent non-compliance or serious breaches of school uniform.

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Role of parents/carers and children

The parents:

- Support the school uniform policy, ensuring their children come to school appropriately dressed.
- Ensure all items of clothing are clearly named – this helps lost items to be easily identified and returned;
- Parents and carers should raise any complaints about school uniform by following the school complaints procedure.

The children:

- Wear the school uniform when attending school, representing the school or when participating in a school organised event outside of normal school hours;
- Wear the school uniform with pride;
- Try to keep their uniform clean and tidy;

Inclusion

All children have equal access to wearing school uniform regardless of their race, religion, gender, disability, medical condition or ability. We ensure that the set uniform reflects other school policies and allows for individual sets of circumstances of all groups and individuals. For those children in receipt of Pupil Premium funding, the school will support the purchase of school uniform; school will liaise directly with parents/carers regarding this.

Non-compliance with the School Uniform Policy

If a child breaches the school uniform policy, a member of staff will discreetly talk to them to find out why and a reminder sticker will be put in the child's reading log. If a child breaches the policy again a reminder letter will be sent home to the parents. For persistent non-compliance, the Headteacher may contact parents directly to discuss this matter.

The Headteacher may feel the need to contact parents/carers immediately to bring appropriate uniform. As an alternative to this, a supply of spare uniform will be kept in school and children may be asked to change into this.

We understand that there may be some exceptional and unavoidable situations where children may have to come to school without a part of their uniform. We ask that parents contact the school office on the day to make school aware and explain the situation.

Bere Regis Primary and Pre-school expects all pupils and parents to conform to this policy, but in the event of persistent breaches, we will work closely with the parents/carers to resolve the situation.

Signed: Rachael Brown

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