

Bedenham Primary School School Wear Policy



The school environment is special and demands similar attitudes from everyone that works in it. Expectations are high and these are reflected in how staff and children present themselves for work.

School Uniform

The school has a preferred colours policy instead of an official school uniform. Parents are required to send their children to school in grey or black trousers / skirts / shorts, white shirts and royal blue cardigans / sweatshirts; blue and white check or striped summer dresses.

Certain items of clothing in school colours and personalised to the school are available for purchase from the school office (e.g. sweatshirts, cardigans, shoe bags, book bags etc.- see list below).

Denim jeans and highly fashionable clothes are not suitable for school wear. **Jeans should not be worn even in an emergency.**

Please ensure that upper arms are covered and necks are protected against sun-burn during the summer.

Jewellery

In common with other schools **the wearing of jewellery , unless it is for ethnic reason, is actively discouraged. If earrings are worn, they must be of the simple stud kind for safety reasons (and limited to a single pair). No other form of body piercing with associated rings or studs is allowed.** Children will be asked to remove any inappropriate jewellery and the school accepts no liability or responsibility for jewellery having no safe, secure facilities for its storage. *Parents are asked to plan any ear piercing to coincide with the summer holidays to allow time for recovery.*

Footwear

It is suggested that shoes or sandals should be of a low heeled plain kind in dark blue or black. The daily wearing of certain shoes, i.e. plimsolls, high heels and fashion shoes, including flip-flops, crocs and jellies, is unacceptable both from foot hygiene and safety purposes. Plain dark coloured trainers are acceptable so long as a different pair is brought for PE.

Games and Swimming Kit

Children should wear royal blue shorts and a white T-shirt for PE. Children must have a change of footwear for PE or Games i.e. plimsolls or trainers. Navy blue tracksuits may be worn when it is cold. Games and swimming kit should be brought (not worn) to school on the proper day. *All jewellery must be removed for PE and studs, if not able to be removed due to ears having being pierced in the previous six weeks, must be covered by plasters brought from home. Pupils should be able to remove and insert their own earrings as teachers will not be responsible for this and we would recommend that pupils do not wear jewellery of any kind on PE days as we accept no liability or responsibility for it, having no safe / secure storage available.*

*Please note children should wear **plain** PE kits and not football strips for games lessons.

Art, Craft and Cookery

We would also ask that children are provided with an old shirt (or something similar) for art, pottery and craft work.

If you have difficulty in providing your child with essential items of clothing or footwear that he or she needs in order to attend school, a limited amount of financial assistance may be available - depending upon your income. For further details, please enquire at the Local Education Office .

PLEASE MAKE SURE THAT ALL JUMPERS, SHIRTS, PE KIT, etc., ARE CLEARLY MARKED WITH YOUR CHILD'S NAME.

Inappropriate clothing / jewellery

In the first instant when inappropriate clothing / jewellery is identified this will be discussed with the pupil. If a pupil continues to wear inappropriate clothing / jewellery parents will be asked to attend a meeting in the school to discuss the situation. If the pupil continues to wear inappropriate clothing / jewellery s/he may be sent home to change.

School Uniform and Price List—available from the School Office

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Headteacher:

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