

Be the Best We Can

Buglawton Primary School Uniform Policy

Member(s) of staff responsible:

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Introduction

At Buglawton Primary School we pride ourselves in being smart, well presented and ready for learning. It is our school policy that all children wear school uniform when attending school, or when participating in school organised events outside normal school hours. We ask children to take a pride in their personal appearance. At Buglawton we take pride in our appearance and believe that if we dress smartly we also learn smartly. Our comfortable yet smart uniform also provides children with a sense of belonging to Buglawton Primary School.

In writing this policy, reference has been made to the Government guidance (November 2021) which can be found at School uniforms - GOV.UK (www.gov.uk)

We are careful to monitor the cost of uniforms for our families and follow the Government guidance on cost of school uniforms (November 2021). Buglawton Primary School offers the choice of branded or non-branded items to our families as well as having the provision of pre-loved (second hand) uniform items available to families at low cost.

Aims and objectives

Our policy on school uniform is based on the belief that we are pleased to wear a uniform that:

- Promotes a sense of pride in our school
- Helps to create a sense of community and belonging towards the school
- Identifies pupils with the school
- Supports the school's commitment to inclusion
- Is practical, smart, and designed with health and safety in mind
- Is considered to be good value for money

Our uniform is as follows:

- Red, round-necked sweatshirt or cardigan (with or without logo)
- White polo shirt (with or without logo)
- Grey trousers/shorts/skirt/pinafore
- Grey/white socks
- Grey/black or red tights
- Red and white gingham dress (summer term only)
- Smart black shoes (no trainers or heels)

PE Uniform

We also think that it is important to dress well for PE. Children were PE uniform on their PE day and also for extra curricular clubs. Our PE kit is as follows:

- Red t-shirt (with or without logo)
- Black shorts
- Black jogging pants
- Black hoodie (with or without logo)
- Appropriate socks
- Pumps/Trainers

Items of uniform that include our Buglawton Primary School logo are available from D.P Sportwear in Congleton.

Jewellery and Hair

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. Children are required to remove any items during P.E. lessons to prevent them from causing injury.

Please note: Teachers are not permitted to remove earrings.

- Make up and nail varnish should not be worn to school.
- · Long hair should be tied back
- Dyed or streaked hair is not permitted
- Mohicans or lines cut into the hair should be saved for school holidays, not term time.

The Role of Parents

We believe that one of the responsibilities of parents is to ensure that their child has the correct uniform and PE kit, and that it is clean, in good repair and that the **child's name is visibly labelled** on all items. If a parent has difficulties for any reason with fulfilling this request they are asked to speak confidentially to a member of staff to discuss the issues. Parents should be assured that we will do all we can to help.

Children who arrive at school wearing non-school uniform clothing will be loaned an appropriate item from our lost property to wear for that day if possible. The same system will apply for children who do not have a PE kit.

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, the Uniform Policy will consider such requests sympathetically. If any parent would like to request an exception to the uniform policy they should, in the first instance, contact the headteacher and then the Governors.

The Role of Governors

The governing body supports the headteacher in implementing the school uniform policy. It considers all representations from parents regarding the uniform policy and liaises with the headteacher to ensure that the policy is implemented fairly and with sensitivity. It is the governors'

responsibility to ensure that the school uniform meets all regulations concerning equal Monitoring and Review opportunities. Governors ensure that the school uniform policy enables children to dress sensibly, in clothing that is hardwearing, safe and practical.

Monitoring and Review

The Headteacher and members of the Senior Leadership Team monitor and review the school uniform policy through its committee work.