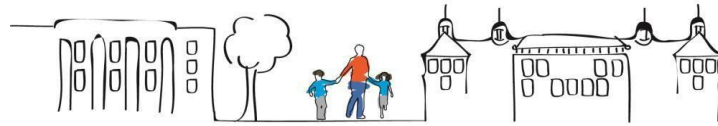


Growing Together, Learning for Life



BANNOCKBURN
Primary School

School Uniform Policy

Date of Last Review:	November 2024
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Date of Next Review:	September 2026

Aims

This policy aims to:

- Clarify our expectations for school uniform
- Set out our approach to requiring a uniform that is of reasonable cost and offers the best value for parents and carers
- Promote a sense of pride in the school
- Identifies the children with the school
- Prevents children from coming to school in fashion clothes that could be distracting in class
- Makes children feel equal to their peers in terms of appearance
- Is regarded as suitable wear for school
- Is designed with health and safety in mind

Our school's legal duties under the Equality Act 2010

The Equality Act 2010 prohibits discrimination against an individual based on the protected characteristics.

To avoid discrimination, our school will:

- Allow pupils to request changes to swimwear for religious reasons or if they are experiencing discomfort related to their sex, gender or gender reassignment
- Allow pupils with sensory or physical needs to make reasonable adaptations to their uniform depending on their specific needs.

We have also included additional considerations throughout the policy.

Parents and Carers

Parents and carers are expected to support their child to have and wear the correct uniform and PE kit, and that every item is:

- Clean
- Clearly labelled with the child's name
- Appropriate for the weather.

Staff

Staff will closely monitor pupils to make sure they are in correct uniform. Where necessary, school staff will provide school uniform for a pupil to be worn when on school premises.

School Uniform

Our uniform is a mark of our school's collective identity. It has been chosen with comfort and practicality in mind, and pupils are expected to present themselves and wear their school uniform with pride. Children are expected to wear the correct school uniform. If a child arrives without the correct uniform, we may provide them with the appropriate attire to change into.

In cases where a child has a home-alone agreement in place, you may be asked to collect them at the end of the school day if they do not comply with the uniform policy, as they are representing the school, and we want to ensure their safety. If a child repeatedly wears incorrect uniform, their home-alone agreement may be reviewed and potentially withdrawn.

Winter

- Black or grey knee length skirts, or long trousers
- Royal blue polo shirt
- Royal blue sweatshirt or royal blue cardigan
- Black, blue, white or grey tights
- Black shoes or black trainers (no bright laces)
- Black, blue, white or grey leggings
- Black, blue, white, orange or grey socks.

Summer

- Black or grey knee length skirts, knee length shorts or trousers
- Blue and white gingham dress
- Royal blue polo shirt
- Royal blue sweatshirt
- Black shoes or black trainers (no bright laces)
- Black, blue, white, orange or grey socks or tights.

Shoes should be, as far as possible, flat and sturdy. Shoes which are high heeled or with thin straps are not permitted as they can be hazardous when running and do not promote good foot health. If children wear boots to school, they must bring alternative shoes to change in to.

P.E. and Games

- Plain black knee length shorts, leggings or tracksuit bottoms
- T-shirt in the colour of your child's house team (Ochre - yellow; Emerald - green; Indigo - purple; Alizarin - red)
- Jumper for when doing PE outside (children may use their blue school jumper as long as it is on top of their PE t-shirt)
- Black pumps or trainers (no bright laces)

Children are NOT to wear baggy or hooded clothes during indoor PE sessions in accordance with health and safety policies.

On the days that the children have PE they can come to school already wearing their PE kit.

It is essential that all items of clothing are clearly marked with your child's name, including coats and P.E. kit. This can be done with sew-in tapes or with an indelible pen.

Jewellery and Hair Accessories

- No jewellery (other than plain studs for pierced ears) or make-up is permitted.

- Sun hats or warm winter headgear may be worn, as appropriate depending on the weather.
- Head coverings (hijab), hair wraps (durag) and accessories such as bands, weaves, clips, beads, bows or bobbles, for the hair, should be plain black, blue, grey, orange or white.
- Children should not wear nail varnish to school, for health and safety reasons, as the nail bed is an area first aiders may need to check if there is any injury to the head, hand or arm.
- Children from the Sikh community are allowed to wear a Kara, which is steel or iron bracelet. As part of the Sikh faith, the Kara must not be removed.
- Due to health & safety reasons, for PE and breaktimes it has been agreed with the local Sikh community that all children engaging in physical activity are requested to cover their Kara using a sweatband or other appropriate covering.
- Medical identification bracelets may be worn by children who have significant medical problems e.g. diabetes or epilepsy.
- Analogue watch only; digital watches are not permitted.

Hair Styles

Just as we expect children to dress appropriately for school, we also expect them to adopt a suitable, age appropriate hairstyle. We actively discourage 'extreme' hairstyles as they do not reflect pride in our school uniform. We consider 'extreme' to be fashion trends with radical shaven heads, tramlines and logos. This also includes any other style that could draw attention to the child and could single them out from the rest of the school, which may have an effect on their confidence.

Bannockburn Primary School has adopted the Halo Code which is the UK's first black hair code. As part of this, we champion the rights of staff and students to embrace all afro-hairstyles. For more information on the Halo Code please visit the school website or www.halocollective.co.uk

Year 6 Children

- Year 6 children are to wear the same uniform as the whole school, with the exception of:
 - White, long or short sleeved shirt with collar.
 - School Tie, clip-on or standard.

Where to buy?

- Uniform (without the school logo) can be bought from most leading supermarkets.
- Uniform (with or without the school logo) can be bought from

Casey's Schoolwear Shop. Address: 246 Blackfen Rd, Blackfen, Sidcup DA15 8PW
Phone: 020 8850 8645

The school holds a large stock of new and nearly new uniform including some footwear. Please contact the school office should you require any items.