



SCHOOL UNIFORM POLICY

Ben Rhydding Primary School

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This uniform policy has been adopted by Governors on 26th May 2010 and updated in line with Government requirements in May 2013, December 2016, January 2018 and November 2022 and October 2025.

It is our school policy that all children wear school uniform when attending school, representing the school, or when participating in a school-organised event outside normal school hours.

Aims

Through this policy we aim to:

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

The Governing body at Ben Rhydding Primary School will respect variations to our school uniform if they are directly related to established religious or cultural traditions.

However, any variation will be dealt with on an individual basis and a decision to allow variation will remain at the discretion of the Head Teacher and the Governing Body.

We also believe that school uniform prevents the inevitable loss of self-esteem caused to individual children should a family not be able or willing to provide the newest, most expensive or fashionable clothing and equipment.

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1. Grey skirt, pinafore, trousers or shorts
2. Plain white polo shirt
3. Navy v-neck sweater or cardigan
4. Navy or grey tights or white knee-length socks or Grey socks
5. Black shoes (no trainers)
6. Purple checked summer dress (not to be worn before the Summer Term)
7. Summer cap (optional)
8. Navy fleece for outdoor wear only (optional)
9. PE and games
 - a. Navy shorts
 - b. White or navy t-shirt
 - c. Suitable footwear for indoor activities (indoor trainers or pumps)
 - d. Suitable footwear for outdoor activities (outdoor trainers)
 - e. Dark, plain tracksuit, jogging bottoms and/or hoodie for outside PE (no football club tracksuits, bright colours or large designer logos)

f. White socks

Years 3, 4, 5 & 6 (Key stage Two)

1. Grey skirt, pinafore, trousers or shorts;
2. White shirt with a collar, suitable for wearing with a tie (i.e. not open at the neck and not a polo shirt);
3. The school tie (navy, silver and purple);
4. Navy v-neck sweater or cardigan;
5. Navy or grey tights or white knee-length socks or Grey socks;
6. Black shoes (no trainers);
7. Purple checked summer dress (not to be worn before the Summer Term);
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Jewelry

- Pupils do not wear jewelry to school (if jewelry is requested to be worn do to an individual's religious beliefs and requirements then a risk assessment will be conducted and advice taken via the local authority)
- Should a pupil have pierced ears, plain studs should only be worn and in order to comply with health and safety regulations.

Please note that the school will be unable to take any responsibility for any earrings/jewelry that is lost.

Watches

- Watches may be worn to school. However, they must be removed during PE sessions.

Please note that the school will be unable to take any responsibility for any watches that are lost.

Makeup

- No makeup or nail varnish should be worn.

Racial Equality & Equal Opportunities

All children have equal access to wearing school uniform regardless of their culture, race, religion, gender, disability or ability. We ensure that the set uniform respects other policies such as Race relations, sex discrimination and allows for individual sets of circumstances of all groups and individuals. Ben Rhydding Primary School is committed to creating a positive climate that will enable everyone to work free from racial intimidation and harassment and to achieve their full potential.

The role of parents

We ask all parents who send their children to our school to support the school uniform policy. We believe that parents have a duty to send their children to school correctly dressed and ready for their daily schoolwork. One of the responsibilities of parents is to ensure that their child has the correct uniform, and that it is clean and in good repair. **As outlined in government policy (published Nov 2021), uniform can be purchased from any outlet and does not need to be logo branded.**

If any parent would like the school to modify the uniform policy, they should make representation, in the first instance, to the head teacher. 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 school will look sympathetically at such requests.

The role of governors

The governing body implements the school uniform policy. It considers all representations from parents regarding the uniform policy and liaises with the head teacher 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 opportunities.

Governors ensure that the school uniform policy helps children to dress sensibly, in clothing that is hardwearing, safe and practical.

Monitoring and review

The governing body monitors and reviews the school uniform policy through its committee work by:

- seeking the views of all stakeholders
- considering, with the head teacher, any requests from parents for individual children to have special dispensation with regard to school uniform;
- requiring the head teacher to report to the governors on the way the school uniform policy is implemented.