



BEECHWOOD
Primary School

SCHOOL UNIFORM POLICY

APRIL 2023
Summer Term

Approved by: **Leadership & Management Committee** Date:

Last reviewed on: **April 2023**

Next review due by: **April 2025**

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1. Rationale:

It is our policy at Beechwood that all children should wear school uniform when attending school, or when participating in a school-organised event outside school, unless stated at the time of arranging the visit. We provide a complete list of the items needed for school uniform on our school website, paper copies are available to parents on request; a copy is also appended to this policy document.

2. Aims and Objectives:

Our policy is based on the view that a school uniform:

- promotes a sense of pride in the school;
- engenders a feeling of community and belonging;
- is practical and smart;
- identifies the children with Beechwood Primary School;
- is not distracting in class (as fashion clothes can be);
- makes children feel equal to their peers in terms of appearance;
- is regarded as suitable, and good value for money, by most parents;
- has been designed with the health and safety of the children in mind.

3. Jewellery:

On health and safety grounds, we do not allow children to wear jewellery in school. The exceptions to this rule are earring studs in pierced ears and a suitable watch if the parents feel this to be a necessary item. Children must be able to remove these objects themselves before PE sessions, or cover the earrings with Micropore tape, which the school will provide.

4. Hairstyles:

If children are wearing hair accessories (e.g. hair bands, alic bands, scrunchies, bows etc) it is preferred that these are black, white or red wherever possible. Bows need to be of a suitable size. Hats, bandanas and headscarves are not to be worn indoors unless in exceptional circumstances where representation should be made in writing to the headteacher. The school would rather that children do not come to school with a style or colour that the senior leadership team considers to be unsuitable. Patterened shavings and lines as part of hairstyles is discouraged.

5. Cosmetics:

Children should not wear any type of cosmetics, make up, false nails, 'fake' tattoos or nail polish in school. We would also ask that any perfumed toiletry products used (e.g. perfumed deodorants) are kept to a minimum in consideration of other children who may have allergies.

Children coming to school in nail varnish will be asked to remove this and nail varnish remover and cotton wool will be provided.

6. Footwear:

The school wants all children to grow into healthy adults. We believe that it is hazardous for children in school to wear flip-flop style sandals or shoes with platform soles or high heels. These types of footwear are not permitted. All footwear should be black. Completely black trainers are the only trainers that are allowed.

7. P.E. Sessions:

With safety and comfort at the forefront of the decision, appended is a list of required PE kit. All children **must** change for P.E. sessions and remove (or cover with micropore tape) stud earrings and watches. A record will be made of children who do not have a kit/suitable kit. If this occurs on three or more occasions, a letter will be sent to parents and a meeting arranged to discuss a way forward.

8. Parental Role:

We ask all parents who send their children to our school to support the school uniform policy. If any parent would like the school to modify the uniform policy for a particular reason they should make representation, in the first instance, to the headteacher.

If there are serious reasons, for example religious objections, why parents want their child to wear clothes that differ from the school uniform; the school will look sympathetically at such requests on an individual basis. Similarly, should an item of school uniform prove problematic for a pupil with disabilities, parents are invited to draw this to the attention of the headteacher. It is the parent or carer's responsibility to ensure the children wear/bring to school only items which are appropriate; the school cannot take responsibility for losses or breakages to any items except in extreme circumstances. In this case representation must be made in writing to the headteacher, the case will then be considered by the appropriate sub-committee of the Board of Governors.

9. Uniform Costs:

Staff and Governors are aware of the financial demand placed upon parents. With this in mind, the only two branded items that are part of the school uniform are the sweatshirt or cardigan with the stitched logo and the P.E top with the stitched logo.

Once per term, the school will hold a 'Swap Shop' where second hand uniform that is still of a good quality can be brought into school and swapped, free of charge, with other unwanted, second-hand items. This 'Swap Shop' will take place towards the end of each term. Any items in the lost property that have not been claimed will also be added to the 'Swap Shop'.

If you cannot afford the branded sweatshirt/cardigan or P.E. top, please contact the headteacher to check what support is available as you may be able to get help with school uniform costs from the local council.

10. Naming Uniform:

It is extremely difficult to locate misplaced uniform especially when there is no name in the item. Staff encourage parents/carers to name all items of school uniform prior to them being worn. Pupils are also encouraged to look after their own personal items and staff cannot be held responsible for pupils who lose items of school uniform. The school **WILL NOT** replace lost uniform.

11. Governor Role:

The Board of Governors supports the headteacher in implementing the school uniform policy. It will consider all representations from parents regarding this policy, and will liaise 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 national regulations concerning equal opportunities, and that the school uniform policy is consistent with our policy on equal opportunities.

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This policy was adopted at a meeting of the Leadership and Management Governor sub-committee on _____

Date to be reviewed: April 2025

Signed:

Name of signatory :

Sara Harper

John Cargill

Role of signatory:

Headteacher

Chair of Governors

BEECHWOOD SCHOOL UNIFORM POLICY CLOTHING LIST



BEECHWOOD
Primary School

BOYS:

Trousers

Black or dark grey trousers (no jeans or tracksuit trousers)

Shirt

White polo shirt with/without the school logo (no t-shirts or football shirts) or in Year 6 a long or short sleeved white shirt with tie.

Jumper

Beechwood sweatshirt

Footwear

Black shoes or completely black trainers with black socks.

GIRLS:

Skirt/Trousers

Black or dark grey trousers (no jeans, tracksuit trousers or leggings)

Black or dark grey skirt of appropriate length in a style that does not restrict movement.

Blouse

White polo shirt with/without the school logo (no t-shirts or football shirts) or in Year 6 a long or short sleeved white shirt with tie.

Jumper

Beechwood sweatshirt or Beechwood cardigan.

Dress

Red gingham school dresses for summer.

Footwear

Black flat-heeled shoes (no boots) with black, grey or white non-patterned single colour socks.

Alternatively, black, red or dark grey non-patterned single colour tights.

**BEECHWOOD SCHOOL UNIFORM POLICY
P.E. KIT LIST**



BOYS & GIRLS:

Red Beechwood P.E. Shirt

Black shorts

Black pumps/trainers

Black or grey tracksuit trousers for winter months

Black or grey tracksuit top for winter months



Please be aware that indoor P.E. sessions are often conducted in bare feet in line with Cheshire East education policy.

Children with verrucae will not be excluded but will need to wear appropriate protection.

All items of uniform with the school logo can be ordered and purchased online or from Winsors.