



Bovesfield Primary School

Uniform Policy

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Introduction

Bowesfield Primary School believes everyone can achieve and have high aspirations. Our aim is to create a happy and caring community where everyone feels welcomed and relationships are built on mutual respect. We will care for, support, and inspire our children, staff, and families to be the best they can.

At Bowesfield Primary School we follow these values and encourage everyone to **Be Bowesfield:**

- Be responsible
- Be ambitious
- Be resilient
- Be respectful
- Be creative
- Be independent

In line with our aim and values it is the policy of the school that all pupils wear uniform when attending the school or a school-organised event within or outside normal school hours.

Clothing	
Allowed	Not Allowed
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Navy blue cardigan or jumper.• White shirt, blouse or polo shirt.• Grey trousers/skirt/pinafore.• Navy leggings to be worn under a skirt or pinafore.• Plain black, grey or white ankle/knee-high socks or tights.• Blue and white striped or checked summer dresses may be worn in the summer in suitable weather (following the February half-term until the return in October half-term)• Grey shorts in summer for boys and girls.• Pupils are allowed to wear jogging bottoms in Nursery and Reception.• Plain navy headscarf, with no accessories.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Jogging bottoms, leggings or jeans• Socks with large frills.• Cycling shorts, cut-offs, leggings or long, baggy Bermuda style shorts.• Headscarves with beading, patterns etc.

Coats
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Please ensure that your child brings a suitable coat.• During the winter months, pupils should bring a warm, waterproof coat.

Footwear	
Allowed	Not Allowed
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Plain, black, flat shoes. • Plain, black ankle boots with a very low heel. • Pupils in Nursery and Reception must wear Velcro shoes. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fashion boots • Platform soles • High heels • Trainers
Pupils are allowed to bring a pair of trainers to change into at break times.	

Jewellery	
Allowed	Not Allowed
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gold or silver ear studs. • A wristwatch (this includes Fit Bits). 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rings. • Bracelets. • Necklaces or chains. • Transfer tattoos.
<p>Nursery and Reception pupils are not allowed to wear earrings.</p> <p>For health and safety reasons, all watches and ear studs must be removed for P.E. and swimming. Your child is responsible for removing and storing these items.</p> <p>If you are considering having your child's ears pierced, please do so at the beginning of the summer holidays when this will not interfere with P.E. lessons.</p> <p>We do not accept responsibility for any accident, loss or damage caused by or relating to the wearing of jewellery.</p>	

Hair/Make Up	
Allowed	Not Allowed
Appropriately styled hair. Plain blue, white or blue and white bows (the bow must fit inside the box in Appendix 2). Plain blue, white or blue and white scrunchies. Plain bobbles (no accessories). Plain hair clips. Plain blue hair bands.	Mohicans. Shaved heads/patterns. Bright colours. Extreme hairstyles. Make-up or fake tan. Nail varnish or false nails. Bright, garish bows.

P.E. Kit
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All pupils must wear navy shorts and the coloured t-shirt specified when they start • Pupils must come to school in their P.E. kit on their timetabled day for P.E. • If a pupil is attending an after-school sports club, they must bring their P.E. kit in a bag unless they have P.E. on that day. • Please ensure your child wears plimsolls/trainers on their timetabled P.E. day.

If your child loses their P.E. kit or damages it, please contact the office immediately.

Pupils who need to be excused from P.E. for medical reasons must bring a letter signed by a parent/carer

Swimming Kit

- Pupils must bring their swimming kit to school each day during their two-week block of swimming.
- One-piece swimsuit for girls (no bikinis) and trunks for boys (not baggy swimshorts). Pupils can also wear an all-in-one swimsuit.
- A towel.
- Goggles.
- A swimming cap.

Parents/carers must ensure all clothing is labelled with the pupil's name.

If pupils do not bring a swimming kit, one will be provided by the school.

Pupils who need to be excused from swimming for medical reasons must bring a letter signed by a parent/carer.

Bags

- All pupils must bring a school book bag or navy, blue back pack (no logos) to school each day with their reading book in.
- All new starters will be provided with a book bag. If a child loses their book bag, it is £5 to replace this. Please speak to the school office immediately.
- Pupils are allowed to bring a back pack to school so that they can bring trainers to change in to at playtime and on days they have P.E.

Water Bottles

- School will provide pupils from Reception to Y6 with a water bottle.
- Staff will write the pupil's name and class on the water bottle.
- Pupils will empty their water bottles before leaving school each day.
- Pupils will take the water bottle home each night and bring it back to school empty.
- If your child loses their water bottle, please contact the school office and purchase a new one for £1.

Sun Cream and Hats

- Parents need to apply sun cream when needed. Please consider the weather forecast for the full day.
- Parents need to send their child to school with a sun hat/cap when needed. Again, please consider the weather forecast for the full day.

Consequences for non-compliance from Parents/Carers

Staff will complete a red slip, stating that a child is not wearing the correct uniform. Each morning these will be sent to the main office.

If a pupil arrives at school without the correct uniform, they will be given uniform for the day.

The following consequences will apply for non-compliance. A log of non-compliance will be kept.

Step 1 – Phone call home informing parents that a pupil is not wearing the correct uniform and this must be rectified immediately.

Step 2 – A letter from the HT, informing the parents that a pupil is not wearing the correct uniform and this must be rectified immediately.

Step 3 – A meeting will be arranged with parents to rectify the situation.

Step 4 – If there is continued non-compliance, the child will be placed into isolation.

The Headteacher may grant exceptions to any of the above, but only if this is required as a matter of sincere religious observance. A letter from the relevant religious community must support this.

If your child has a diagnosed medical condition that affects their feet, please speak to the Headteacher.

No policy can cover all eventualities. On all matters regarding school uniform, the Headteacher's decision is final.

Naming Clothes and Lost Property

Many pupils are careless with their personal possessions and we are constantly filling the lost property box with unclaimed items. Please help by ensuring that all property and items of clothing and footwear are clearly marked with your child's name.

Finance

We understand that for some families finances are tight. We believe that by doing all we can to eradicate fashion items at the school, we are assisting all families in keeping costs down. If you have a particular problem or you are unsure about an item of clothing, please do not hesitate to contact the Headteacher who will deal with your enquiry in the strictest confidence.

The Role of the Governing Body

The Governing Body supports the Headteacher in implementing the school uniform policy.

The Governing Body monitors and reviews the school uniform policy annually.

Every care has been taken in the compilation of this policy and the information provided is correct at the time of publication.

Appendix 1

The bow must be able to fit inside the box below.

