



Belgrave St. Peter's Church of England Primary School Uniform Policy

Statement of intent

At Belgrave St Peter's Church of England Primary School, we uphold Christian values and beliefs.

We are committed to:

- teaching and living the Christian way of life;
- providing quality education for all our children;
- developing respect and consideration for all members of our community.

It is our school policy that all children wear school uniform when attending our school, or when participating in school-organised events outside normal school hours, unless advised otherwise.

We ask children to wear their shirts/tops tucked into their skirts or trousers and to take a pride in their personal appearance. Some items of uniform can be ordered through school, whilst others are easily available, at very competitive prices, at local shops including supermarkets.

A complete list of the items needed for school uniform including those for Physical Education, is printed overleaf.

This Policy is carried out within the context and spirit of the school's Mission Statement:

'To be the best we can be, for God, for ourselves and for others'

Aims & Objectives

At Belgrave St Peter's our school uniform policy is based upon the beliefs that school uniform

- promotes a sense of pride in our school;
- helps to create a sense of community and belonging towards the school;
 - identifies the children with the school;
 - supports our commitment to inclusion;
- prevents children from wearing 'fashion clothes' that could be distracting in class;
- is practical, smart and designed with health and safety in mind; ○ is considered good value for money by most parents.

The Role of Parents/Carers

We believe that one of the responsibilities of parents/carers 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 written on all items. If a parent has difficulties for any reason with fulfilling this request they are asked to speak confidentially to a senior 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 may be loaned an appropriate item from our stock to wear for that day. The same system will apply for children who do not have a PE kit. Parents will be contacted to discuss the matter.

Procedures

School Uniform

The school colours are royal blue and grey. Children should wear a royal blue jumper or cardigan and grey trousers, skirt or dress together with a white polo shirt.

Blue summer school dresses or grey school shorts can be worn in the warmer months. All school uniform with the school logo can be purchased from Uniform Direct. Skirts and dresses should not be above knee-length.

Socks and tights must be plain white, grey or black. Leggings may be worn underneath a skirt or dress - but **not** on their own.

Please see the www.uniform-direct.com or the school office for further guidance on ordering.

Jewellery, Hair Ornaments, Make-up and Nail Varnish

For health and safety reasons we do not allow children to wear jewellery. The exceptions to this rule are ear-ring studs in pierced ears, and small objects of religious significance. Children are required to remove any items during PE lessons to prevent them from causing injury. These must be removed or taped up for PE. Please do not send your child to school in jewellery which has either monetary or sentimental value, as we cannot be held responsible for it.

Please note: Teachers are not permitted to remove earrings.

Long hair is best tied back for school. Hair bands, ribbons/bows or 'scrunchies' should be plain and either blue, white or black. Hair bands should not have large flowers attached.

Extreme hairstyles are not appropriate for school. The use of styling products should be kept to a minimum and children should not have decorative patterns cut into their hair or have hair coloured or dyed.

Nails should be kept short. False nails are not permitted. Make up and nail varnish/nail extensions should not be worn to school unless for an out of school hours' function, for example a school disco.

Footwear

For health and safety reasons we do not allow children to wear shoes with platform soles or high heels. All children are required to wear plain black shoes or trainers without logos as stated in the uniform list. If boots are worn these should also be plain black. If boots are large and prevent children from sitting comfortably on the floor they may be asked to change into their PE shoes whilst inside the school building.

Sandals may be worn in summer provided that they can be securely fastened.

PE Kit

Nursery children do not need to bring a PE kit to school.

Reception to Year 6 children need to have a white t-shirt, black shorts and plimsolls in a PE bags which they bring to school on a Monday and take home to be washed on a Friday. You can buy PE bags from Uniform Direct.

Plain coloured track-suit bottoms are acceptable for outdoor lessons.

Plimsolls or plain black trainers may be worn indoors and appropriate unbranded sports trainers should be worn for outdoor PE. In gymnastics lessons (or if children do not have suitable footwear) then they should take part in bare feet for indoor PE.

Swimming

For swimming lessons goggles can be worn if accepted by the staff at the leisure centre, and upon submission of a permission letter from parents/carers. Appropriate costumes should be worn i.e. swimming trunks, not sports shorts, and swimming costumes, not bikinis. Long hair should be tied back and secured using a swimming cap.

Lost Property

PLEASE LABEL YOUR CHILD'S CLOTHING AND BELONGINGS

Sometimes items of clothing or other belongings do go missing and we cannot help children to find their things if they are not labelled. Lost property is accumulated in boxes in each of the Key Stages and every half term we will invite parents in to check the lost property. At the end of each school year, we will invite parents to a sale of any unlabelled lost property. Any items left after that will be disposed of.

If you have lost something which is clearly marked, please contact the office and we will try to help locate and return the items once found.

HELP! If you need help with any aspect of school uniform, please come and talk to us in the office. We have a limited amount of clothing to borrow and we may be able to offer other help as well. Please come and speak to us at any time.