

## 'Together we can make a difference'

School Uniform Policy Name of school: Bexton Primary School Date of review: Autumn 2023 New review date: Autumn 2026 Rationale

School uniform plays a valuable role in contributing to the ethos of the school and setting an appropriate tone. It instils pride, supports positive behaviour and protects children from social pressures to dress in a particular way. Above all, we believe that appropriate school uniform supports effective teaching and learning. This policy has been developed by staff, in conjunction with the School Council.

## **Bexton Primary School Uniform**

In order to maintain a strong sense of identity, children are required to wear school uniform at all times. The uniform consists of:

### **Girls/Boys uniform**

Grey skirt/grey trousers White shirt School tie\* Cardigan/sweatshirt\*\* Black shoes Blue and white checked dress (summer)

P.E. Kit

Royal blue shorts\* School polo shirt\* Black pumps Navy Joggers and sweatshirt\* for outside games Trainers for outside games

**All** clothes, shoes, wellies, bags and lunch boxes **must be named**. P.E. clothes should be kept in a small drawstring bag. Please **do not** send your child to school with a large sports type bag as space in the cloakrooms is at a premium.

Drawstring bags/book bags may be purchased from school.

Some children wear a Bexton branded fleece in the winter months but this is not part of the required uniform. Non-branded blue fleeces are acceptable.

\*Items available direct from MPA School Uniform Suppliers

We have a selection of second hand branded uniform available for free if needed. Please contact our office for more information.

#### Bexton Nursery Uniform

Whilst it is not mandatory for the Nursery children to wear the following uniform, it is recommended in order to protect their own clothes.

Bexton Polo shirt \*\* Bexton Sweat shirt \*\* Suitable trousers, leggings or jeans Suitable footwear such as trainers or pumps (open-toe sandals and crocs are not permitted)

A change of clothes and a pair of wellies should be kept at Nursery in a named bag at all times. Nappies or 'Pull Ups' and wipes should be provided if your child is not yet toilet trained.

\*\* Items available direct from MPA School Uniform Suppliers or may be purchased from Bexton Nursery

### Jewellery

Pupils are not to wear jewellery to school, especially as individuals can become very upset if a treasured piece of jewellery goes missing.

Pupils should only wear stud earrings. There should be no tattoos or any other body piercings. Earrings must be taped over during PE lessons.

Watches may be worn to schools but must be removed and handed to the teacher for safekeeping before any PE lesson.

Pupils are asked not to wear smart watches in school due to their value and risk of external communications throughout the day.

Please note that the school will not take responsibility for any watches that are lost.

#### Footwear

Primary School pupils should wear black shoes, not trainers. Boots may be worn in bad weather but KS2 children must change into indoor shoes in the classroom.

### Make Up

No make up or nail varnish should be worn.

### Hairstyles

Hair should be neat and tidy and worn with no extremes of style or colour. Long hair should be tied back for reasons of health and safety.

### Equipment

Mobile phones should not be brought into school without the express permission of the class teacher. If it is necessary for a child to bring a mobile to school they must hand it to the teacher when they arrive. This will be kept in a safe place.

Please note that the school will not take responsibility for any personal electronic items that are lost. (Please see the Acceptable Use Policy.)

No medicine should be brought into school by a child, with the exception of inhalers for asthma. (Please see the Administration of Medicines Policy.)

Bags to carry equipment should be of a reasonable size as space in the cloakrooms is limited.

No knives or sharp blades should be brought into school under any circumstances.

# Role of the Class Teachers and Support Staff

The class teachers and support staff will set a good example in terms of dress and will inform parents of any issues in accordance with the Home School Agreement. Items of inappropriate dress that are confiscated will be returned at the end of the half-term.

## Role of the Head Teacher and Governing Body

The Head Teacher has a duty to enforce the school uniform throughout the school community, as part of the duty within maintenance of day to day discipline in the school.

The Governing Body should be receptive to any reasonable complaint from parents or carers concerning uniform, and should handle such complaints respectfully, considering fully the issues that arise. Governors should aim to work with parents to arrive at a mutually acceptable outcome.

# Role of the Parents / Guardians

Parents and guardians should ensure that children adhere to Bexton Primary School's uniform policy, unless there are special circumstances that will be published to parents beforehand e.g. dressing up days / non uniform days.

### **Racial Equality and 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 our Equal Opportunities Policy and allows for individual sets of circumstances of all groups and individuals. Bexton 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.

### Review

This policy will be reviewed every three years in the autumn term by the Head Teacher on behalf of the Governing Body.