Blaenbaglan Primary School - Ysgol Gynradd Blaenbaglan

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School Uniform Policy 2023/24

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INTRODUCTION

At Blaenbaglan Primary school, we believe that school uniform promotes equality and a sense of pride in the school. As such, we encourage pupils to wear uniform daily when attending school or when participating in a school organised event outside normal hours. We provide a complete list of the items needed for school uniform in our school prospectus and on the school website.

All children wear a uniform that is simple and available at most large stores.

AIMS & OBJECTIVES

Our policy on school uniform is based on the notion that school uniform:

- promotes a sense of pride in the school
- engenders a sense of community and belonging towards the school
- is practical and smart
- identifies the children with the school
- prevents children from coming to school in fashion clothes that could be distracting in class
- makes children feel equal to their peers in terms of appearance
- is regarded as suitable wear for school and good value for money by most parents
- is designed with health and safety in mind

JEWELLERY

On health & safety grounds, we actively dissuade children from wearing jewellery in our school. The exceptions to this are earring studs in pierced ears, an appropriate watch and small objects of religious significance. On days that your child has PE we ask that parents take the responsibility to remove earrings before coming to school. Pupils with pierced ears may wear ONE pair of small, simple stud earrings on other days. The taping of earrings in order to participate in Physical Education lessons is not permitted. Pupils planning to have their ears pierced should do so in the first week of the summer holidays in order that they can heal before they return to school. Facial piercings and visible body piercings are not allowed.

EXTREME HAIRCUTS

The school does not encourage children to have 'extreme' haircuts / hair colours that could serve as a distraction to other children.

FOOTWEAR

Children are not permitted to wear shoes that have e.g. platform soles, high heels or open toes

THE ROLE OF PARENTS

We ask all parents who send their children to our school to support the school uniform policy, sending their children to school correctly dressed and ready for their daily school work. 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.

If any parent would like to modify the uniform policy, they should make representation, in the first instance, to the Headteacher. The school welcomes children from all backgrounds and faith communities. If there are serious reasons, for example on religious or medical grounds, why parents want their child to wear clothes that differ from the school uniform, the school will look sympathetically at such requests.

MONITORING & REVIEW

The governing body monitors and reviews the school uniform policy through:

- seeking the views of parents, to ensure that they agree with and support the policy
- considering, with the Headteacher, any requests from parents for individual children to have special dispensation with regard to school uniform.
- Asking the Headteacher to report to the governors on the way the school uniform policy is implemented.

When is a school uniform required?

Children are required to wear the uniform at all times for pupils in Reception to Year 6. Uniform is available for Nursery pupils.

All pupils must wear the uniform when representing the school at events off school property. Children are at all times ambassadors for the school, and never more so than when larger groups are on school trips. The children should wear the uniform with pride, as it identifies them as pupils of Blaenbaglan Primary School. Finally, pupils should wear the PE uniform provided when they are representing Blaenbaglan at inter-school sporting events.

School Uniform

Navy skirt, pinafore dress or grey/navy trousers White school polo shirt Navy school sweatshirt, cardigan or fleece Black shoes (not trainers) Black or navy tights Navy or white socks

PE Kit

Plain white T-shirt Navy sweatshirt Navy PE shorts/jogging bottoms Trainers with non-marking soles Swimming costume In addition all children will need a PE bag

All children are allocated an outdoor day – this means much of their work may be conducted outdoors during the day (making use of our extensive grounds). They will need old clothes, waterproof coat and wellies for these activities.

Nursery children can wear navy jogging bottoms, school/white polo shirt and a navy/school sweatshirt.