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Uniform Policy

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School Uniform and Appearance Policy

Rationale

At Beal Vale Primary School, we believe that wearing a school uniform promotes a sense of belonging, pride, equality and readiness to learn. Our uniform expectations help create a positive learning environment where children can focus on their education and feel part of the school community.

Parents and carers are expected to ensure that children attend school wearing the correct uniform each day unless prior arrangements have been agreed with the school.

The school reserves the right to address and respond to any breaches of this policy in a fair, reasonable and proportionate manner.

School Uniform

Children are expected to wear:

- White polo shirt
- Grey trousers/shorts, grey skirt or grey pinafore dress
- Plain black sweatshirt or plain black cardigan
 - Optional branded versions are available from Topform, Oldham
- Yellow and white gingham dress/playsuit (Summer Term only and optional)
- Plain black school shoes (trainers are not permitted)
- Plain black, grey or plain white socks

All school uniform items must be plain and free from logos, branding, slogans or decorative fashion features unless they are official school-branded items purchased through the school's approved supplier.

Skirts, pinafores and shorts must be of an appropriate length and fit for a primary school setting. Clothing should not be excessively short, tight-fitting or revealing. Skirts should be worn at their intended length. The school reserves the right to determine whether an item of clothing is appropriate and in keeping with the expectations of this policy.

All items of clothing, footwear and personal belongings should be clearly labelled with the child's name.

Not Permitted

The following items are not part of the school uniform:

- Fashion trainers
- Boots (except in severe weather conditions)
- Clothing with logos, branding or slogans
- Hoodies (except approved PE hoodie)
- Denim clothing
- Excessive fashion accessories

The items listed above are examples and are not an exhaustive list. The school reserves the right to make decisions regarding the suitability of any clothing, footwear, hairstyle, accessory or personal item that is not specifically referred to within this policy. Decisions will be made reasonably, consistently and in line with the aims of maintaining high standards, safety, equality and a positive learning environment.

Physical Education (PE) Kit

Children must wear:

- Plain white T-shirt

- Plain black leggings, joggers or shorts
- Plain black trainers for outdoor PE
- Plain black pumps for indoor PE (Reception only)
- Plain black zip-up hoodie or plain black jumper for colder weather

PE Kit Expectations

- All PE clothing must be plain and free from logos or branding.
- Branded sportswear, including clothing displaying manufacturer logos, is not permitted.
- Children should arrive with the correct PE kit on designated PE days where instructed by the school.
- Long hair must be tied back during PE for safety reasons.
- No jewellery.

Jewellery and Personal Appearance

For health, safety and safeguarding reasons:

- Jewellery is not permitted to be worn during the school day.
- Earrings, necklaces, bracelets, rings and anklets are not allowed.
- Smart watches are not permitted.
- Children may wear a watch that tells the time only.
- Children should not wear nail varnish, acrylic nails or make-up.

Any jewellery, smart watch or other prohibited item worn in school may be confiscated and returned to a parent/carer.

Hair and Head Coverings

Hair should be neat, tidy and appropriate for school.

- Hair longer than shoulder length must be tied back.
- Long fringes must be secured away from the eyes.
- Hair accessories should be practical and functional in purpose and should not distract from learning.
- Hair bobbles, scrunchies, clips and headbands must be plain black or yellow.
- Oversized, decorative or novelty hair accessories are not permitted.
- Extreme hairstyles, shaved patterns, fashion cuts or dyed hair are not permitted.

Children who wear a head covering for religious reasons may wear a plain black head covering.

Non-Uniform Days

From time to time, the school may hold non-uniform days. Whilst pupils are not required to wear school uniform on these occasions, all clothing, footwear and accessories must remain appropriate for a primary school setting.

Clothing should be suitable for learning, play and participation in all school activities.

Revealing, excessively short, tight-fitting, inappropriate or clothing displaying offensive language, slogans or images is not permitted.

For health and safety reasons, the following items are not permitted on non-uniform days:

- Open-toe sandals
- Crocs or similar footwear

- High-heeled shoes
- Platform shoes
- Jewellery that is not permitted under the School Uniform Policy
- Smart watches or other internet-enabled devices

The school reserves the right to determine whether clothing, footwear or accessories are appropriate for the school environment. Where an item is deemed unsuitable, parents/carers may be contacted and asked to provide an alternative item where necessary.

Equality and Inclusion

The school recognises its duties under the Equality Act 2010 and will consider reasonable adjustments where required because of:

- Religion or belief
- Disability
- Medical needs
- Special educational needs

Requests for reasonable adjustments should be discussed with the Headteacher.

Monitoring and Compliance

The school expects all families to support this policy. The school will take account of individual circumstances and will work with families where there are financial, medical, religious or other exceptional reasons affecting compliance.

Where a child arrives without the correct uniform:

First Occasion

- Reminder issued to the pupil and/or parent/carer.

Repeated Occasions

- Parent/carer contacted by the school via telephone, email or letter.
- A reminder of the school's uniform expectations will be issued.
- The school may seek to understand and support any barriers to compliance.
- A meeting may be arranged where concerns persist.

Ongoing Non-Compliance

- The school may require incorrect items to be removed where appropriate.
- The school may provide temporary replacement uniform where available.
- May result in parents being asked to bring in correct items.
- Persistent refusal to comply with this policy may be addressed through the school's Behaviour Policy.

Children will not normally be excluded from learning because of incorrect uniform.

However, the school will work with families to ensure compliance and maintain high standards.

PE Kit Non-Compliance

Where a child repeatedly attends without the correct PE kit:

- Parents/carers will be informed.
- A reminder of expectations will be issued.
- The child may take part in PE in spare school kit where available.
- Persistent non-compliance will be addressed through the school's behaviour policy and parental meetings.

Partnership with Parents

Parents and carers play a vital role in supporting high standards. By accepting a place at Beal Vale Primary School, families agree to support and comply with the expectations set out in this policy and to work in partnership with the school to ensure their child attends in the correct uniform.