



# Uniform and Appearance Policy

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Signed

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Headteacher:

**CHASE BRIDGE PRIMARY SCHOOL**

### **Introduction, aims, purpose of policy**

It is the school's policy that all children should wear clothing that is in keeping with a purposeful learning ethos. Our policy for the children's uniform is based on the belief that a school uniform promotes a sense of pride in the school; engenders a feeling of community and belonging; is practical, smart and identifies the children with the school; is not distracting in class; and makes children feel equal to their peers in terms of appearance. It should also be regarded as suitable, practical and good value for money.

We believe it is important that certain activities are facilitated by specialised and appropriate clothing when attending school, or when participating in a school-organised event outside normal school hours.

### **Policy summary**

The policy describes the uniform required, P.E. kit as well as certain aspects of appearance. Exceptions to the standard and accepted policy will be granted where this is required as a matter of sincere religious observance.

We provide a complete list of the items needed for children's school uniform in this policy and in our parent handbook. A detailed Uniform and Appearance Checklist handout for parents is shown in the appendix.

### **Please also refer to the following policies and documents**

- Whole school vision statement
- Equality Information and Objectives

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**Uniform** - The children are expected to be well presented. Whenever school uniform is worn, it must be complete. All clothing and footwear should be clearly labelled with the child's name. This may be with a sewed in name tag or written clearly in a visible position with an indelible pen.

Our uniform consists of the following:

- Maroon cardigan or sweatshirt with school logo
- Grey trousers, skirt or pinafore
- White polo shirt or blouse
- Red and white gingham dress for the Summer term
- Polishable black shoes
- Grey or maroon tights
- Grey or white socks
- Plain sun hat in the summer when necessary

Families suffering from economic hardship can contact the school to discuss eligibility for second hand uniform and/or financial support. The Headteacher may grant exceptions to any of the above, but only when this is required as a matter of sincere religious observance which can be substantiated by a letter from the leader of the relevant religious community. For example, if religious headdress is requested to be worn then it should match the uniform colours of maroon, grey or black.

**Bags** – these should ideally be school book bags or sacks but older children may bring in a plain small rucksack. Fashion, large and oversized bags are not permitted. This is so that they can fit in the peg/cloakroom area of the school. Any after school club kit is to be brought in a rucksack or drawstring bag only.

**Hair** - Hair must be kept tidy. If hair is shoulder length or longer it should be tied back. Parents must ensure that their child avoids unconventional styles. The school reserves the right to insist on re-styling if it considers the style inappropriate. Shaved patterns in hair or eyebrows are not permitted.

**Footwear** – Polishable black shoes with flat heel. No boots are permitted.

- **Jewellery:** Children may wear single plain stud earrings. No other jewellery other than a watch may be worn (watches that can take pictures or make recordings are not allowed). The exception to this is jewellery worn for religious reasons. Any jewellery that could compromise the safety of the children wearing it during activities such as science, D+T, PE will need to be removed or covered.

**Make-up and Cosmetics** – No make-up, cosmetics, hair-gel or nail varnish are permitted. The school does not permit such products to be worn by any children, unless there is a specific event for which the Headteacher has given permission.

**P.E. and games kit**

- Plain white T-shirt (with or without the school logo)
- Plain black or navy blue PE shorts

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- Plain black or navy blue tracksuit bottoms
- Plain navy blue sweatshirt (with or without school logo)
- Black plimsolls – indoor
- Trainers - outdoor

We would emphasise that printed T-shirts, fashion shoes and jeans are not considered suitable for school. Bringing jewellery and other valuable possessions on site is also considered inappropriate, All jewellery may be removed during PE lessons in order to keep children safe. In cold weather, tracksuit bottoms may be worn to school, but these must be changed and left in the cloakroom on arrival. Reception to Year 4 wear their P.E and games kit to school, on the relevant day and Year 5 and 6 change into their kit at school. They wear trainers (suitable for use on grass in wet and muddy weather), black shorts and a white t-shirt. Black or navy blue track suits may be worn out of doors in cold weather.

If children do not have the appropriate P.E. kit they may not be able to take part in the lesson or they will need to borrow second hand kit in lost property.

# Appendices

## **Uniform suppliers**

### **Schooldays**

94 High Street

Whitton

Twickenham

TW2 7LN

### **Stevensons**

1-15 Heath Road

Twickenham

TW1 4DB

All other items can be purchased from numerous high street outlets.

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## **Second hand school uniform**

Our PTA (Friends of Chase Bridge) organise second-hand uniform (including PE kit) sales on the school grounds on various days throughout the school year. All items for sale are generally in very good condition and available at very affordable prices. Please contact them at [chasebridgepta@gmail.com](mailto:chasebridgepta@gmail.com) for further information.

## **Uniform checklist**

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# Uniform examples





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# P.E. Kit examples

