ECCLESTON PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Beechbuds Pre-School

School Uniform Policy

Inspiring independent learners to thrive in a changing world

Our uniform policy reflects our values and reinforces our school's culture of high expectations and academic achievement. All pupils must dress according to the uniform policy. Our school uniform is important to us. It is one way in which we identify ourselves as a school community and it promotes a strong, cohesive identity which supports high standards and expectations in all areas of school life. It promotes harmony between different groups represented in the school, and it enhances security.

Smartness and high standards of appearance are expected at all times. We have a required school uniform for several reasons:

- Uniforms unite the school. Pupils make a commitment that when they put on their Eccleston Primary School uniform they will abide by the rules of the community.
- Uniforms reduce distractions. We are focused on achieving success. When pupils are allowed to wear their own clothing, there is the potential to talk about fashions and styles rather than learning.
- Uniforms make us all equal. Whether families have high incomes or low incomes, the pupils come to school looking the same way. No one has to feel bad about the clothes and accessories they have or don't have.
- Uniforms look professional. Pupils look neat and ready to learn.

We ask parents and carers to support all decisions by school staff regarding whether or not clothing is appropriate or inappropriate for school.

The school's Governing Body decide the policy for school uniform which is reviewed periodically and request that the policy is adhered to by all families in a consistent way.

Non-compliance with the Uniform Policy

It is the responsibility of all staff to ensure that the school uniform policy is adhered to.

Parents and carers of pupils that do not wear the correct uniform will be contacted and asked to bring the correct uniform into school. If this is not possible then pupils will be provided with the correct item of uniform, they are missing for the day.

There may be good reasons why a pupil is not wearing school uniform. In this case, parents and carers should share the reasons with the class teacher either in person or by letter. The school will always be considerate and discrete in trying to establish why a pupil is not wearing the correct uniform.

Pupils will not be made to feel uncomfortable, nor discriminated against, because their parents are unable to provide them with the required items of school uniform. We encourage discussion with the school at the earliest opportunity if there are any difficulties.

There will be occasions when the school decides that school uniform is not appropriate e.g. when taking part in a physical activity day, wearing different clothes as a part of a fundraising event or topic entry point activity day. Parents and carers will be notified in advance of the revised dress code on these days.

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 equality, race relations and sex discrimination.

Eccleston 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. Minor adjustments to the standard school uniform are accepted for religious reasons but these should be discussed the Headteacher in the first instance.

Our uniform consists of:

Compulsory, Eccleston Primary School branded items:
Early Years and Key Stage 1:

- school jumper/cardigan
- book bag
- water bottle (school will provide the first bottle each year, replacements will be available to purchase at the school office)

Key Stage 2:

- school jumper/cardigan
- water bottle (school will provide the first bottle each year, replacements will be available to purchase at the school office)

Non-branded items
White polo shirt (no blouses or shirts)
Royal Blue Cardigan or Jumper
Charcoal grey trousers, shorts, skirt or pinafore.
Grey or white socks
Charcoal grey tights
Fully black shoes or trainers (no boots, sandals or trainers with any colours apart from black)

Summer Term only
Light blue gingham summer dress (optional)

Indoor PE
Royal Blue shorts
Black pumps
Plain white t-shirt

Outdoor PE
Grey Hooded Sweatshirt (Optional) Trainers

Birthdays

Children are able to wear non-uniform on their birthday or a day closest to it.

School trousers, shorts, skirts, pinafore dresses, white t-shirts for PE and polo shirts can be purchased from high street stores, they do not need to be branded items.

Outdoor clothing

Pupils should bring a coat to school each day, apart from during the hotter weather. Boots should not to be worn inside the school buildings. Sun hats should be worn outside during the hotter summer months.

Footwear

Pupils must wear closed-toed, hard-soled, **all black** plain shoes with a flat sole.

Boots are not allowed.
Black laces should be worn with shoes.
Open-toed sandals should not be worn, even in the Summer Term.
In the case of extreme weather children can wear boots to school but must change into a pair of shoes on arrival.

Pupils can wear trainers or back plimsolls for outdoor PE lessons. Barefoot work is undertaken for indoor gymnastic and dance lessons.

Hairstyles

Pupils' hair should be neatly groomed, and tidy at all times. Long hair on both girls and boys should be tied back neatly. Pupils may not wear designs or words cut into their hair or permanent or temporary coloured hair.

Hair accessories, including large bows, flowers and animal ears and unicorn style headbands are not allowed.

Plain, thin headbands and simple slides/ bobbles (or a scrunchy) are allowed in the school colours.

Fingernail Polish or Make-Up

Pupils are not allowed to wear fingernail polish or false nails. Make-up is not allowed.

Jewellery/Accessories

Watches - Pupils may wear a watch (with no sound effects, cameras or games) smart watches with a phone and messaging facility are not allowed to be worn in school. Fitness watches, that are unable to be used as communication devices, are acceptable.

In the interests of health and safety, pupils may wear one pair of small metal stud earrings in the lower ear lobe, but earrings with stones in are not allowed to be worn.

All studs must be removed for PE by the pupil or taken out at home. Stud earrings that cannot be removed by the pupil for PE lessons will be covered with a plaster or tape.

Newly pierced ears can take a period of up to six weeks before sleepers and studs can be removed. We do remind parents and carers that ears should be pierced at the start of the summer holidays to allow sufficient time for earrings to be safely removed.

Please note that the school will be unable to take any responsibility for any watches or jewellery that are lost.

Naming Clothing and Property

VERY IMPORTANT – Please ensure all clothing and property is clearly marked so that lost articles may be easily traced and returned. The school cannot accept responsibility for loss or damage of pupils' property and valuables.

Printed name labels can be ordered from the school's uniform supplier.

Lost Property

We endeavour to return all named property. At the end of every term, all unclaimed items of uniform will be disposed of.

Spare Uniform
To support our families, we have some key pieces of uniform available for a voluntary donation, available at the school office. Families are encouraged to ask, if this is something that would support.

School Uniform Supplier

Our school uniform supplier is:

NU UNIFORMS
82 Market St, Chorley PR7 2SF. Phone: 01257 275512

Badger of Heskin

Swift House Farm, Heskin PR7 5UY. Phone: 01257 786887

(Beechbuds jumpers are only stocked here.)

Online option

www.myclothing.com

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