

# The Lea Primary School and Nursery Uniform Policy

# **Policy Sign off**

Reviewer	Date	Approver	Date
James Berry / Caroline Thomas	September 22	Full Governing Body	September 22
Next Review		September 25	

## Introduction

It is our school policy that all children wear school uniform when attending school, or when participating in school-organised events outside normal school hours.

#### Aims and objectives

Our policy on school uniform is based on the notion "look smart, act smart" and that aA school uniform;

- promotes a sense of pride in our school;
- helps to create a sense of community and belonging within the school;
- makes children feel equal to their peers in terms of appearance;
- supports our commitment to inclusion;
- identifies the children with the school;
- is practical, smart and designed with health and safety in mind;
- is considered suitable, and good value for money by most parents;

Our children are the school's ambassadors. We encourage children to take a pride in their personal appearance, by wearing their polo shirts tucked into their skirts or trousers for example.

#### Where to buy uniform

Items of uniform featuring the school logo can be bought via the link <u>Beatschooluniforms.co.uk</u> further details at bottom of policy or via the <u>early new preloved uniform</u> shop (information on this can be found through contacting the school office)<u>-at the school's Christmas and summer fairs</u>

#### Uniform (Reception to Year 6) Required Items

'Lea Primary School' polo shirt Navy pinafore dress/skirt or grey tailored trousers/shorts Blue gingham dress (weather dependant) Navy 'Lea Primary School' sweatshirt/cardigan White socks with gingham dress Grey/ Black/Navy socks with grey trousers. Grey trousers or navy tailored trousers Navy tights Black shoes or trainers. Water Bottle with a 'sports top'

# Optional

Children in Year 6 wear a personalised school hoodie (this is organised & purchased via the Class Rep)

## **PE kit** (worn to school on allocated PE days or on days when your child attends a 'sport based' after school club) **Required**

Navy/Black jogging bottoms/leggings/shorts 'Lea Primary School' sky blue t-shirt 'Lea Primary School hoodie, 'Lea Primary School' sweatshirt/cardigan, Black trainers White/ Grey/ Black/Navy socks

# Nursery

Whilst not compulsory, we encourage the children in Nursery to wear a uniform for ease, practicality and to enable them to feel part of the whole school. Navy jogging bottoms / leggings Blue polo shirt Navy sweatshirt Water Bottle with a 'sports top' It is optional to wear logo'd items

# **Representing the School at Sporting Events**

Children will be provided with a school sport kit which must be washed after wear and returned ASAP.

# **Forest School**

Children who attend Forest School throughout the year will wear their PE kit. They will also need waterproof 'bottoms', waterproof coat (this can be their usual school coat) and a baselayer (top and bottoms) for cold weather. Further details will be shared by the Class Teacher / Forest School Teacher

# Jewellery, Hair and Watches

The only jewellery permitted in school is a single plain gold/silver stud in the lower lobes, plus a watch. Children are required to remove earrings during PE lessons or tape over them

Parents must supply the tape to cover earrings.

Staff are not permitted to remove earrings.

Hair should not be cut shorter than a "number two" and must not be shave-patterned in any way. Hair must be natural colour

Long hair must be tied up and hairbands, scrunchies/bows should be small, plain and preferably either blue or black.

Make up and nail varnish should not be worn to school.

Watches/fitbits type devices must be removed for PE. These must not have gaming/recording abilities. If a child is continuously distracted by these in school we will ask for them not to be worn.

# Footwear

For health and safety reasons we do not allow children to wear shoes with platform soles or high heels. Shoes which incorporate flashing lights are not appropriate for school wear.

Boots or Wellingtons may be worn to and from school during bad weather but children will need to change into school shoes.

# Seasonal clothing

All children require a coat in school when the weather is changeable, cold or wet and additionally hat and gloves during cold spells of weather.

On hot sunny days children require a hat or a cap for protection from the sun.

# Modification to the Recommended Uniform

The school welcomes children from all backgrounds and faith communities. If there are reasons why parents want their child to wear clothes/jewelry that differ from the school uniform, for example on religious grounds,

the school will consider such requests sympathetically. If any parent would like to request a modification to the uniform policy they should, in the first instance, contact the Headteacher.

## The Role of the School

Staff will speak to children who do not wear the correct uniform, including PE kit. If children continually attend school wearing clothing that is deemed not to be uniform, they will be referred to the Headteacher.

## The Role of Parents

We believe that one of the key responsibilities of parents is to ensure that their child has the correct uniform and PE kit, that it is clean, in good repair and that each item is labelled with the child's name. The school cannot be responsible for any lost items.

If a parent has difficulties for any reason with fulfilling this request they are asked to speak to the Headteacher to discuss the issues. Parents should be assured that the school will do all it can to help. Children who arrive at school wearing non-school uniform clothing will be loaned an appropriate item to wear for that day. Parents will be contacted to discuss the matter.

## The Role of Governors

The governing body supports the Headteacher in implementing the school uniform policy. It considers all representations from parents regarding the uniform policy and liaises with the Headteacher to ensure that the policy is implemented fairly and with sensitivity. It is the governors' responsibility to ensure that the school uniform meets all regulations concerning equal opportunities. Governors ensure that the school uniform policy enables children to dress sensibly, in clothing that hardwearing, safe and practical.

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