

# **GREAT BRADFORDS JUNIOR SCHOOL**

# **Uniform Policy**

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Headteacher:

Chair of Governors:



*Together we learn; together we grow*

At Great Bradfords Junior School we encourage all children to wear the school's uniform. It is not only smart and practical, but gives the children a sense of belonging and of being important members of the school community.

The Government is asking school governing bodies to ensure that the uniform chosen is widely available in high street shops and other retail outlets, rather from an expensive sole supplier.

- Royal blue sweatshirt or cardigan with white polo shirt;
- Grey or black trousers/skirts;
- Blue and white summer dresses for girls;
- Black or white socks;
- Black shoes or black trainers – no boots, open-toed sandals or trainers of any other colour;

Royal blue is a colour that is easily accessible from retail outlets.

Our designated uniform supplier is MyClothing.com. Their School Embroidery Service supplies sweatshirts, polo shirts and fleeces with the embroidered school logo. These goods will be delivered direct to your home.

***It is extremely important that you name all uniform items of clothing. As you can imagine, missing items without names are extremely difficult to find!***

All children taking part in P.E./Games will need appropriate, clean P.E. clothing, which provides a freedom of movement and, when necessary, some protection from the weather. Our children come into school on P.E. days wearing their kit:

- House colour T shirt
- Loose-fitting black shorts (not cycling shorts)
- Black, white or house colour socks
- Black jogging bottoms (not leggings)
- Black sweatshirt for winter (no logos)
- Black or white trainers.

Children should wear their school sweatshirt/jumper/cardigan over their P.E. T shirt along with their shorts/tracksuit bottoms during the lessons which are not P.E. lessons then change into their P.E. sweatshirt/jumper for their P.E. lesson. Your child's P.E day will be notified to you at the beginning of the year.

### **Important Information**

*Jewellery is not suitable for school wear, but named watches may be worn (NOT smartwatches or fitness trackers). Watches will need to be removed for P.E. Children with pierced ears may wear one pair of plain small studs. **However, during P.E. and swimming we require all children to remove their earrings for safety reasons.** If this causes difficulty, when your child has P.E. or swimming, please ensure that your child does not wear earrings to school that day. **If your child is unable to remove their ear-rings they will not be allowed to go swimming or take part in P.E. lessons, both of which form part of the statutory curriculum.** To assist you, your child's class teacher will inform you of P.E. and swimming times. If you are planning to have your child's ears pierced, we would recommend doing this at the start of the summer holidays to allow time for the ears to heal.*

# Health & Safety Communication

## Jewellery in PE

We understand parental concerns around removing earrings, however there is a risk when taking part in a PE activity to both the child wearing the jewellery and to other children involved in the activity. All jewellery needs to be removed for PE, including earrings.

### Schools:

- Generic risk assessments for PE Activities (Athletics, Dance, Games and Gymnastics) are available on Infolink. These replaced the PE guidance in the Primary Schools Code of Practice 25.
- The assessments require that all jewellery is to be removed- **they do not allow for taping jewellery**. This means that if pupils cannot take their earrings out, they will have to sit out of PE until they can remove their earrings.
- For **Community or Voluntary Controlled (VC) Schools**, where ECC is the employer schools must follow our policy which states NO jewellery to be worn in PE at all. This includes no taping of newly pierced ears. If a child cannot remove their earrings for any reason in a Community or V/C school the pupil will have to sit out of PE.
- For **Academy, Foundation, Voluntary Aided (VA) or Free schools** that buy into our H&S service they are advised to follow this policy but do not have to. Therefore, these schools do have a choice to allow jewellery – or taping of newly pierced ears. We recommend reflecting this in your risk assessments.
- For **Academy, Foundation, Voluntary Aided or Free schools** who do not buy into our H&S service they set their own policy around this.
- It is advised that all Schools remind parents of this policy especially towards the end of the summer term. If parents intend to have their child's ears pierced, we recommend that they do so at the start of the summer holidays to allow time for them to heal and allow for earrings to be safely removed for PE.

For further information regarding the hazards & risks members can access the following pages

[The Association for Physical Education \(afPE\)](#)

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