

# Uniform and Appearance Policy

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**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 Check List handout for parents is shown in the appendix.

## Please also refer to the following policies and documents

- Whole school vision statement
- Equality of Opportunity Policy

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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 or shorts
- Grey skirt or culottes or grey pinafore dress
- White polo shirt or blouse (with or without the school logo)
- Red and white gingham dress for the Summer term
- 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 afterschool club kit is to be brought in a school rucksack 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 restyling if it considers the style inappropriate. Shaved patterns in hair or eyebrows are not permitted.

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

**Jewellery -** No jewellery other than a wristwatch may be worn. Children may wear a small single stud earring in each ear.

**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 Head 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
- 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: children will be asked to remove earnings during P.E. lessons or ensure they are covered by tape.

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

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

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### Second hand school uniform shop

The school with the Friends of Chase Bridge are planning a uniform shop where items of uniform can be bought at bargain prices – often good as new! Look out for news of when it is next open.

Visit: <a href="http://www.chasebridge.richmond.sch.uk/School-Uniform">http://www.chasebridge.richmond.sch.uk/School-Uniform</a> for photographic uniform and appearance guide.

### Uniform check list

Our policy for children's school uniform and appearance is based on the belief that it: promotes a sense of pride in the school; engenders a feeling of community and belonging; is practical and smart; identifies the children with the school; makes children feel equal to their peers.

Boys Uniform:	Girls Uniform:	PE Kits:
<ul> <li>Maroon sweatshirt with school logo</li> <li>White - polo shirt. This may be with or without the school logo.</li> <li>Grey trousers or shorts</li> <li>Grey socks</li> <li>Plain black shoes.</li> <li>Plain sun hat in the summer when necessary</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Maroon sweatshirt or cardigan with school logo</li> <li>White - polo shirt or blouse. This may be with or without the school logo.</li> <li>Grey skirt, trousers, culottes or shorts or grey pinafore dress</li> <li>White socks</li> <li>Grey or maroon tights</li> <li>Plain black shoes with flat heel.</li> <li>Summer Term.</li> <li>Red and white gingham dress may be worn if wished</li> <li>Plain sun hat in the summer when necessary</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Plain white T Shirt (with or without the school logo)</li> <li>Plain black or navy blue PE shorts</li> <li>Plain black or navy blue tracksuit bottoms</li> <li>Plain navy blue sweatshirt (with or without school logo)</li> <li>Black plimsolls – indoor</li> <li>Trainers - outdoor</li> </ul>

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**Bags:** these should ideally be school book bags or sacks but older children may bring in a small rucksack. Fashion, large and oversized bags are not permitted. Any afterschool club kit is to be brought in a Chase Bridge rucksack only.

Uniform examples















P.E. Kit examples



