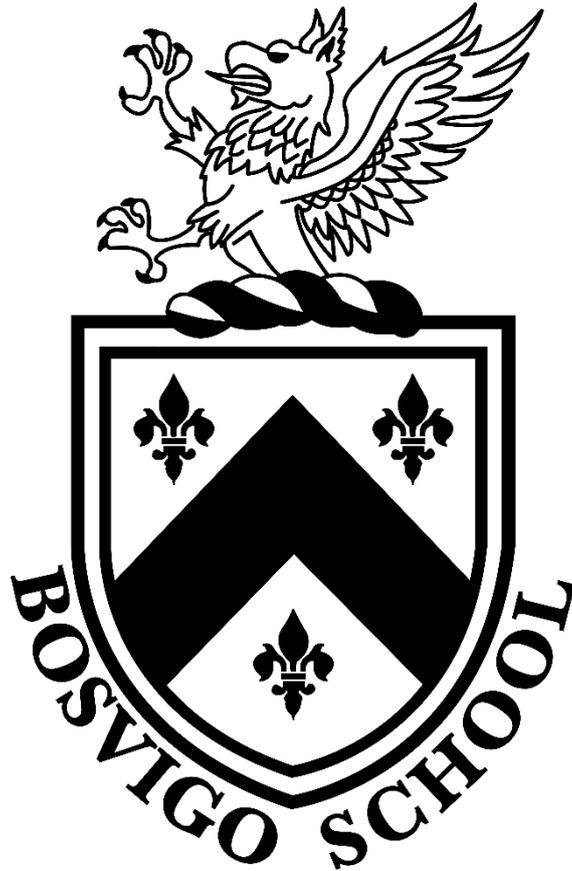


Bosvigo School



Uniform Policy

June 2022

Principles

At Bosvigo School we believe that wearing uniform is an important part of being a member of our community and builds a sense of pride and equality amongst the children. It helps us show that we all belong together and that we are dressed ready to learn. It promotes a sense of pride in the school and helps the children look smart, think smart and act smart. It is also about preparing children for the future when there will be expectations about what is suitable to wear and how we present ourselves professionally.

We are also conscious of responding to parental feedback regarding 'striking the balance' between initial outlay and a robust, cost effective, smart and simple solution. The school is able to support difficulties with acquiring uniform in a number of different ways including utilising Pupil Premium funding where appropriate. Parents are welcome to discuss this with our reception staff.

Equalities

Our uniform is not gender-specific; all children have equal access to wearing school uniform regardless of their culture, race, religion, gender, disability or ability. The Uniform Policy is aligned to our Equalities Policy and allows for individual sets of circumstances of all groups and individuals. Bosvigo School is committed to creating a positive climate that will enable everyone to work free from prejudice and harassment and achieve their full potential.

Uniform

We do not insist parents purchase the uniform from particular providers. However, for ease, Bosvigo uniform can be ordered and purchased from two school-wear specialists. Our uniform can be purchased online from Tesco (a link to the uniform shop can be found on the school website www.bosvigo.cornwall.sch.uk in the School Information section), but is also now available to buy from Keywear: 1, Church Walk, Truro.

All children (Reception – Year 6) need:

- A polo shirt in white or royal blue (not pale blue/sky blue).
- A sweatshirt, cardigan or zip-up fleece in royal blue embroidered with the school badge.
- Charcoal or black school trousers/skirt/culottes/tailored shorts or pinafore dress.
- Grey or black tights or leggings.
- Flat, black, sensible school shoes. Shoes are to be plain with no coloured logos or laces. Plain black trainers or boots are allowed. Crocs and heels are not.
- During warmer weather, pupils may wear a blue gingham dress or short blue gingham jumpsuit if they wish.
- Hoodies are not an alternative to the Bosvigo School jumper and are not to be worn in the classroom.

PE

- All children should wear the school PE kit on PE days, which consists of a red, blue, yellow or green t-shirt (depending on each child's House team) carrying the school crest, black or navy shorts, their school jumper and appropriate footwear.
- In colder weather, children are welcome to wear a pair of black or grey jogging/tracksuit bottoms or leggings on PE days.
- Football shirts or other sports shirts **may not** be worn as part of a PE kit.
- If for any reason a child is unable to do PE they must bring a note explaining the reason to the teacher.
- Key Stage 1 and 2 children will swim for part of the school year. Swimming costumes or swimming shorts (finishing above the knee) or swimming trunks are acceptable. Bikinis or tankinis **may not** be worn for school sessions.
- Children may wear their own choice of sports clothing for extra-curricular sports activities, as long as it is deemed appropriate by the adult responsible for leading the club.

Labelling uniform

All clothing should be **clearly labelled** with your child's name. This is especially important, as uniform items look similar and can easily be confused for another child's and labelled items are much more likely to be returned to

their owner. The school cannot accept responsibility for any lost items, but will look to name unlabelled items with a permanent marker on an inside label.

Accessories

The wearing of jewellery is not allowed for safety reasons. The only exception is that children may wear small stud earrings and/or a watch. (This follows national health and safety guidance.) Children should only wear earrings to school if they are able to take them out independently. Hair bobbles and clips should be appropriate in style and if a child's cultural beliefs require that they wear headgear this should be black. Fake tattoos should not be visible. Children are not permitted to wear makeup to school, along with fake nails. Children should wear a hat/cap while outside in the summer term and may bring in their own from home (as long as it is named clearly).

Hair styles

We recommend that all hair that can be tied back should be tied back every day. For safety reasons, this is compulsory during PE activities. (Tying hair back helps prevent the spread of head lice.)

Role of the Parents/Guardians

- To ensure that their child / children adhere to the school's uniform policy.
- Ensure that their child / children come to school in uniform everyday unless there are special circumstances such as non-uniform days.
- To ensure that all uniform is labelled correctly and clearly.

Role of Teachers and Support Staff

- Set a good example in terms of dress.
- Remember that in our respective roles we serve the local community as a set of professionals.
- To remind children to wear school uniform.
- The class teacher will speak to children who do not wear the correct uniform.
- If children continually attend school wearing clothing which is deemed not to be uniform they are to be referred to the Head Teacher.

Role of the Head Teacher

- The Head Teacher is to ensure that pupils comply with the uniform policy agreed by the governing body.
- The Head Teacher has a duty to enforce the school uniform throughout the school community, as part of the duty within maintenance of day to day discipline in the school.
- The school will follow the DfE guidelines and not consider exclusion from the school where a pupil fails to comply with the school's rules on uniform.

Where children are not seen to be adhering to the dress code the Headteacher will investigate each case and its surrounding circumstances will be considered on an individual basis:

- The school keeps a supply of spare uniform, including sports kit, and if available children will be given suitable items of kit to borrow for the day.
- In the case of repeated incidents regarding clothing or with another aspect of the policy the class teacher or a senior leader will contact the family to ensure they understand the expectations but also to explore any surrounding issues.

Bosvigo would encourage parents to donate any items of school uniform which their children have outgrown, to the school for future use.