



The Bliss Charity School

All children are expected to wear school uniform when attending The Bliss Charity School or when participating in a school-organised event outside normal curriculum hours (unless directed otherwise by school staff). The uniform promotes a shared identity for our school. It aims to engender a sense of community and belonging for all of our pupils and it encourages them to be proud of attending and representing The Bliss Charity School.

Wearing school uniform ...

- Is consistent with the high expectations of secondary education and future employment;
- Contributes to the establishment and maintenance of a purposeful learning environment;
- Signals that it is 'time to learn' and to behave according to the school rules;
- Is practical and smart;
- Identifies the children with the school;
- Reduces peer-pressure/teasing over conforming to the latest trends and fashions whilst at school;
- Makes children feel equal to their peers in terms of appearance;
- Prevents conflicts for parents/carers regarding what to wear for school;
- Is regarded as suitable wear for school and is considered as good value for money by parents and carers;
- Is designed with health and safety considerations in mind;
- Enhances the reputation of the school and creates a good impression.

School Uniform	PE Kit
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Black or grey trousers. • Black or grey smart shorts. • Black or grey knee-length skirt. • Black or grey pinafore dress. • In the summer, blue and white checked summer dress. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Logoed, house-coloured t-shirt for PE <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Fire (red) - Water (blue) - Earth (green) - Air (yellow) • Plain white or house coloured t-shirt.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • School logoed polo shirt: white or royal blue. • White shirt or white polo shirt. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Plain, blue or black shorts. • Plain, blue or black jogging bottoms. • Black, blue or white socks.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Royal blue, jumper with the school logo. • Royal blue fleece with the school logo. • Royal blue cardigan with the school logo. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clean, trainers or plimsolls.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clean flat footwear, black shoes with no visible branding. • Black or grey tights. Black, grey or white socks. • Trainers to change into at break/lunchtime (optional). 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Long hair (shoulder length) must be tied back with simple accessories. • No jewellery* – including earrings – should be worn for PE. Pupils should be able to remove their earrings for this lesson or not wear earrings on PE days.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Long hair (shoulder length or longer) should be tied back with simple accessories. • No extreme haircuts.² 	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Book bag with the school logo. • Ruck-sack or draw-string bag for other items (e.g. PE kit). • Warm, waterproof coat for cold/wet weather. • Cap, or summer hat for sunnier weather (outdoor use only) 	

*Where an item of jewellery cannot be removed then it is the teacher's responsibility to try to establish a safe situation to enable participation. Where safe participation cannot be assured, the pupil cannot take part in that element of the lesson.

² 'Extreme' haircuts are those considered by the school to be significantly different so as to cause distraction to others; and not in keeping with the school's smart ethos. These may include: tram-lines, or designs cut/shaved in to the hair; or brightly-coloured dyed hair (this is not an exhaustive list).



Non-Permitted clothing and accessories

The following items are not permitted as part of the school uniform:

- Hoodies.
- Jeans.
- Leggings.
- Tracksuits, sweatshirts and jogging bottoms – except for PE lessons (see section 4, above).
- Trainers – except for PE lessons and, possibly, for break/lunch times. Pupils should arrive/depart in shoes. Black trainers are not permitted as part of the classroom uniform.
- Team-wear (e.g. a football strip or a rugby shirt) is not acceptable for PE lessons. However, pupils may choose team-wear for extra-curricular sports clubs.
- No flip-flops.
- Jewellery (except watches and stud earrings) – this does not include jewellery worn for established religious/cultural reasons.
- Make-up – including nail varnish.
- Elaborate hair accessories.
- Fake tattoos/transfers.