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Dear Parents and Carers,

**Re: Uniform Reminder!**

As we approach the summer break, we thought this would be a good time to remind you of our school uniform expectations before any new purchases are made. On the reverse of this letter, you will find a detailed list along with photos of the required school uniform. This information is also available on our website: [www.bickleighdown.co.uk](http://www.bickleighdown.co.uk).

**Please read the information carefully, as there are a few updates to note:**

- The option to wear sandals during the summer term has been removed.
- KS1 children should not bring bags to school; only a book bag and PE bag are permitted.

**Key reminders from our uniform policy:**

- Children should wear plain black leather shoes (logos should not be visible) that are secured with a strap or laces for safety. Trainers are not permitted.
- Football trainers may be brought to school for playtimes to help preserve school shoes.
- PE tracksuits must be plain dark blue or black with no logos. T-shirts should be in your child's house colour.
- Socks should be plain, without stripes or sporting logos.

**We'd also like to remind parents of our jewellery and appearance guidelines:**

- For safety reasons, no jewellery should be worn in school, except for plain gold or silver ear studs if ears are pierced. These must be removed for PE lessons.
- If you are considering ear piercing, the start of the summer holidays is ideal to allow time for healing and practising removal. Children who cannot remove their earrings will not be able to participate in PE lessons.
- An analogue watch is permitted.
- Nail varnish should not be worn in school. If a child repeatedly wears nail varnish despite reminders, we may ask parents to come into school to remove it.

We understand that uniform costs can be a concern, especially in the current economic climate. Our uniform policy aligns with DfE guidance, and the PFA advertises pre-loved Bickleigh uniform on [www.uniformerly.co.uk](http://www.uniformerly.co.uk) to help reduce waste and support families. Donations can be dropped off at the school office.

Thank you for your continued support in helping us maintain high standards of presentation, safety, and consistency across our school community.

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Yours sincerely,

Mrs T Hamilton  
**Headteacher**



**SCHOOL UNIFORM**

Mid-Grey (not black) trousers (not jogger bottoms or leggings), knee length shorts, skirt or pinafore

Blouse, shirt or polo shirt in plain white

Burgundy checked or striped school uniform type dress

Burgundy pullover or sweatshirt, with the school logo

Socks/tights should be plain grey, white or black (no logos)

**For P.E.**

Shorts or Leotard (black)

T Shirt House Colour (available from Trutex and The Schoolwear Shop)

Plimsolls (Black)

Trainers (Y3-6)

Football boots (Y3-6) – **Teachers will notify you if these are required**

A **plain (no logos) black** or **dark blue** tracksuit is recommended for outside P.E./games in very cold weather.



**Foundation only – spare pants and socks in PE bags**

**Foundation only – Wellington Boots (named with a peg to keep them together)**

All children should wear plain black low heeled leather shoes (logos should not be visible) **with a fastening strap** (not trainers or boots) to school. Slip on shoes are **not** permitted for safety reasons.



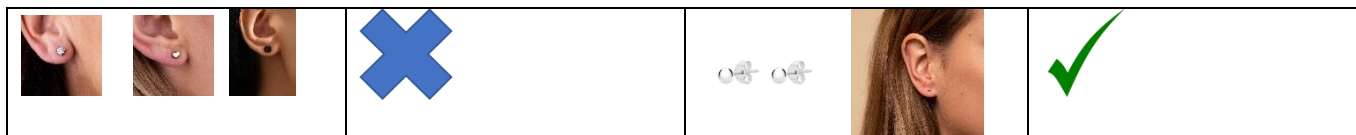
A change of footwear for outside P.E. and Games is essential as in inclement weather dirty/wet shoes will have to be removed before re-entering school. For safety reasons it is also essential that all pupils have studded footwear when using the field.

**Other Equipment**

**Children in Foundation and Key Stage One** should bring a **bookbag** to school and a **small drawstring PE bag** to hold PE kit. We do not permit Foundation and Key Stage One children to bring any other bags to school as this is unnecessary and we do not have space to store such items.

**Children in Key Stage Two** are permitted to bring a bag to school with their belongings in. These should be small enough to fit on a school cloakroom peg. Key Stage Two children should also bring their PE kit in a separate PE bag.

For safety reasons children should not wear baggy clothes for P.E. No jewellery is allowed to be worn to school with the exception of plain gold or silver ear studs if ears are pierced. Children must only wear a single ear piercing - two earrings in one ear are not permitted. **These need to be removed for PE lessons as we no longer allow children to use tape to cover earrings.**



An analogue watch is permissible but we do not allow children to wear digital or smart watches. No nail varnish or make up of any description should be worn in school. All long hair should be worn tied back. Extreme haircuts are not acceptable. This includes hairstyles where the sides are much shorter than the top, lines and patterns shaved into the hair and shaved heads. Natural hair colour is encouraged. Highlights and hair dye, tipped or dipped hair are not allowed. All children are expected to wear their hair in a plain style without the use of styling products. Hair clips, bands and fastenings should be plain.

