# Ysgol Bryn Onnen

School Uniform Policy



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#### Aims

At Ysgol Bryn Onnen we expect all pupils to wear school uniform as we believe it;

- Creates a feeling of belonging and identity with the school.
- Is practical and smart.
- Avoids the school day becoming confused by fashion and pupils and their parents feeling under pressure to follow the latest fashions.
- Makes all pupils equal.

In designing the school uniform and writing the School Uniform Policy emphasis has been given to affordability and ease of access to items of clothing.

#### Uniform

It <u>is not</u> compulsory for pupils to wear uniform carrying the school logo; however these are available for those who choose.

Navy blue sweatshirt or cardigan - no logo other than school badge

Red polo shirt - no logo other than school badge

Navy blue trousers, skirt or tailored shorts

Flat, sensible, safe shoes

In summer blue or red gingham dresses may be worn

The school does not ask parents to buy uniform of a particular brand or from a specific supplier.

Branded items are available from Cottonfields, Princes Street, Blaenavon.

Our school uniform has been kept simple and affordable and it is readily available. We always have a supply of second hand uniform at the school – please contact the office for more details.

#### Jewellery

We ask that jewellery is not worn to school as they often get lost or damaged which leads to pupils becoming upset.

Pupils may only wear a watch and/or stud earrings.

For Year 4 pupils who go swimming earrings will need to be removed. Please remove the earrings at home as pupils often struggle to do so for themselves.

Watches will also need to be removed for PE.

# Make up

No make up is to be worn to school. This includes for mufti days and end of year/Christmas parties.

## Hair

We ask that pupils hair is neat and tidy and no extremes of colour or style. If children's hair styles are deemed inappropriate for school pupils may be asked to stay at home until their hair is more suitable for school.

#### **Role of the school**

As a school we will;

- Ensure pupils comply with the uniform policy agreed by the governing body.
- The Headteacher has a duty to enforce the school policy throughout the school community as part of their duty to maintain day to day discipline in the school.
- The governing body will consider any complaint from parents or pupils concerning school uniform.
- The governing body will review the policy regularly taking into consideration the opinions of pupils, parents and staff.
- The school will follow guidance laid down by Welsh Government in 2019.

### **Role of parents**

- Ensure that their child/children adhere to the uniform policy.
- Ensure that they come to school in uniform every day unless there are specific reasons not to do so e.g. Christmas party, sports day.
- Raise any concerns regarding school uniform directly with the Headteacher or through parent representatives on the governing body.

# Equality

All children have equal access to wearing school uniform regardless of their colour, gender, race, religion, disability or ability. Equalities guidance and legislation has been considered while forming this policy.

# Non-compliance with the policy

The Headteacher or Deputy Headteacher may discipline a pupil for breach of the School Uniform Policy.

The Headteacher or Deputy Headteacher may ask pupils to go home to change their clothes without formally excluding them. This should be for no longer than necessary to complete the change of clothing or appearance. The Headteacher will not send a pupil home indefinitely or for longer than is necessary as this could amount to an unofficial exclusion. Pupils will only be sent home with their parents.

As an alternative a supply of spare uniform is kept at the school and children may be asked to change into this.