



Uniform Guidance

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Uniform at Charlton

At Charlton, our values, *be happy, be kind, be responsible*, underpin all that we do. We want all members of our community to feel welcome and to enjoy a sense of belonging. Our values play a crucial part in achieving this. Uniform also plays a vital part in creating a sense of belonging and a sense of pride in belonging to our Charlton community. In addition, wearing a uniform, which is practical and distinctive further focused learning is enabled; thus, avoiding children being distracted in class by their own clothing choices or those of others. Having a uniform is an important in making children feel equal to one another in terms of appearance, engendering a sense of equality.

From September, children in Reception to Year 6 will require the following:

Waterproof coat

The weather is changeable so a waterproof coat is required everyday.



Blue sweatshirt or cardigan with the school logo



White polo shirt with Charlton Primary School logo or plain white collared shirt

Our preference is for the older children in Upper School to wear a plain white collared shirt. Shirts should not be visible below the jumper.



Grey or black school trousers/skirt/pinafore dress.

Skirts should be of a suitable length (to the knee) and style (straight or pleated).

Leggings should not be worn.

In Reception, smart, plain, jogging bottoms in navy or black may be worn instead of 'uniform' trousers.



Grey/black shorts are suitable for the summer term



A blue gingham dress is also available as an option



Black, grey or white socks



Black shoes with flat heel

For Summer, black sandals with a secured strap around the back of the foot.

-trainers are not acceptable.

In Reception, shoes with a good grip are required to enable children to use the outside climbing apparatus safely. Crocs are not safe for play.



Year 6

For September 2023, children in Year 6 will be to wear a **Charlton Year 6 hoodie**, as an alternative to the blue v-neck sweatshirt. Children will be able to wear this item as part of their school uniform for the duration of their time in Year 6. These hoodies will replace the 'leavers' hoodies' which have been available to children previously.



Reception

We recommend that all children have a set of spare clothes to be kept in school, for incidents where children need changing.

PE Uniform

PE uniform should be worn to school on the days of the week which children have PE lessons. For those children attending TA Sports after school, they may also come to school wearing their PE uniform.

Please note, sports kits of any kind are not permitted.

White round neck t-shirt



Black/navy PE shorts or black/navy track-suit bottoms/black or navy sports leggings



Plain black sweatshirt or black PE specific jumper with school logo



Appropriate sports trainers

– must be well fitting for safety. Fashion trainers, for example, Converse, are not appropriate for sports and should not be worn.



Further information

Swimming

For swimming all students will require a swimming costume, a towel and a swimming hat. Long shorts and bikinis/tankinis are not allowed – the options are either trunks or a one-piece swimsuit. Goggles can be worn.

Jewellery

A watch and one small plain stud in each ear lobe only – no other studs are allowed. Belts
One simple black belt only.

Hair

Longer hair, past shoulder length, needs to be tied back using small, discreet clips, ties or hair bands. This keeps hair neat and tidy whilst children are working. A further reason for this is to prevent the spread of head lice. Extremely short razor lines cut into the hair, non-natural colours, fully or partially shaved hair, or excessive hair gel are unacceptable. Colourful hair braids are not appropriate during term time and are best enjoyed during the school holidays.

Make Up

No make-up, transfer tattoos or nail varnish should be worn to school (this supports the aims of our policy)

Frequently Asked Questions

- 1. A child in my class has arrived in PE uniform on a non-PE day. What shall I do?**
In the first instance, please telephone home and request that uniform is brought to school.
- 2. I've telephoned home, but no-one is available to bring in uniform. What shall I do?**
A spare set of uniform will be available in the disabled toilet. Children may wear this for the day and then change out of it before the end of the day.
- 3. A child in my class has arrived in uniform on PE day. What shall I do?**
In the first instance, please telephone home and request that PE uniform is brought to school.
- 4. I've telephoned home, but no-one is available to bring in PE uniform. What shall I do?**
A spare set of uniform will be available in the disabled toilet. Children may wear this for the day and then change out of it before the end of the day.
- 5. I've noticed someone wearing hooped earrings/nail varnish/transfer tattoos etc. What shall I do?**
In the first instance, please remind them of the uniform expectations, and request that these items are removed for the next day. Please follow up with a conversation with the parent/carer if this does not happen. If a child is unable to remove earrings, then they will not be able to take part in PE for safety reasons.
- 6. I am aware of a family with financial difficulties which is preventing their child from wearing the correct uniform. What shall I do?**
Please liaise with Heidi. We may be able to access funding to support in these instances.