



# BISG School Uniform Policy

At BISG we pride ourselves in being smart, well presented and ready for learning. It is our school policy that all children wear school uniform when attending school, or when participating in school-organised events in and outside normal school hours unless specified otherwise.

## **Aims and objectives:**

Our policy on school uniform is based on the belief that the BISG school uniform:

- Promotes a sense of pride in our school
- Helps to create a sense of community and belonging towards the school
- Identifies pupils with the school
- Supports the school's commitment to inclusion
- Prevents pupils from wearing 'fashion clothes' and accessories that could be distracting in class
- Reinforces age-appropriate expectations of respectful and modest appearance
- Is practical, smart, and designed with health and safety in mind
- Is affordable

## **School Uniform List**

School uniform at BISG consists of:

- Navy jumpers, sweatshirts, tank tops and cardigans with embroidered/ironed on school logo
- Plain white polo shirt or shirt (long or short sleeved)
- Navy, gray or black skirt, shorts or trousers (inc. plain jeans, no cuts or tears, no baggy styles); at Preschool, leggings or tracksuit trousers are also allowed.
- Plain navy, gray, black or white knee socks (not over the knee) or tights
- Dark ankle socks with trousers.

Please note that skirts should be an appropriate length and of a style which allows sitting comfortably on the floor. When shorts are worn, they should also be of an appropriate length. Trousers should be smart or smart casual.

It is advised that all items of school uniform are labeled with the child's name.

**Footwear: students in classes 1-3**

All children are required to change their shoes throughout the year. Children in classes 1-3 spend parts of the day on the carpet and it is important that the 'inside shoes' are comfortable, clean and safe.

All indoor shoes should have light soles that do not leave marks on the floors.

**Footwear: students in classes 4-10**

All shoes worn at school must be clean and dry. Therefore, students in classes 4-10 must have appropriate spare indoor shoes to change into and/or PE shoes. Change of shoes is kept in the cloakrooms.

**Footwear: all students**

All students must have the following:

1. Safe and comfortable inside shoes
2. PE shoes with light non-marking soles
3. Outdoor shoes appropriate for playground and short outings to the park and the beach

**PE uniform**

All students should have the following items as part of their PE kit:

- White plain T-shirt (no logos or pictures, or with the school logo)
- Dark shorts or tracksuit trousers
- Trainers or sneakers appropriate for sports with light, non-marking soles
- All items must be labeled with the child's name

**Jewellery, Hair Ornaments, Make-up and Nail Varnish**

- For many reasons, including safety, we do not allow children to wear jewellery. The exceptions to this rule are ear-ring studs in pierced ears. Children are required to remove any items of jewellery during P.E. lessons to prevent them from causing injury.
- Long hair must be kept tidy with a hair band. Hair bands, ribbons/bows or 'scrunchies' should be plain and either navy blue, black, grey or white to match our uniform. Hair bands should not have large flowers or other decorations attached.
- Extreme hairstyles are not appropriate for school. The use of styling products should be kept to a minimum and children should not have decorative patterns cut into their hair or have hair coloured or dyed.
- Make up and nail varnish are strongly discouraged. If older students wish to wear any make up it should be natural, subtle and 'invisible'. Nails should be neatly trimmed and natural colour.

## **The Role of Parents**

We believe that one of the responsibilities of parents is to ensure that their child has the correct uniform and PE kit, and that it is clean, in good repair, with a school logo and that the **child's name is visibly labelled** on all items. If a parent has difficulties for any reason with fulfilling this request they are asked to speak confidentially to a senior member of staff to discuss the issues. Parents should be assured that we will do all we can to help.

Parents buy the uniforms independently. The school will no longer purchase uniforms for parents due to logistical difficulties resulting from Brexit. Children should wear uniforms every day, including trip days.

It is recommended that more white polo T-shirts should be bought as they require changing more often, but still need to be worn daily.

Every top item of the uniform needs to have a school emblem sewn on the left breast. The emblems are available at 10,00 złoty apiece at the school and preschool offices. The amount is added to the next invoice, therefore there is no need to bring cash.

Children who arrive at school wearing non-school uniform clothing or inappropriate shoes will be loaned an appropriate item from our lost property to wear for that day. The same system will apply for children who do not have a PE kit. The items loaned will have to be taken home by the child, washed and ironed, and returned the next day. Parents will be contacted to discuss the matter.

The school welcomes children from all backgrounds and faith communities. If there are serious reasons, for example on religious grounds, why parents want their child to wear clothes that differ from the school uniform, the Uniform Policy will consider such requests sympathetically. If any parent would like to request an exception to the uniform policy they should, in the first instance, contact the Vice-director or the Principal.

### **Monitoring and Review**

The SLT monitors and reviews the school uniform policy by considering, with the headteacher, any requests from parents for individual children to have special dispensation with regard to school uniform.

### **Where can school uniform items be purchased?**

- BISG logos can be purchased in the school office. The cost of 10 zł will be added to the invoice for each logo.
- Parents can purchase any items at any shop of their choice. For example:
  - Next: <https://www.next.pl/pl> for white polo-shirts and navy tops, skirts and trousers
  - Decathlon for plain white inexpensive PE tops, shorts, tracksuit trousers and sports shoes
  - uniform items can be ordered from the school at the beginning and at the end of the school year; email with ordering instructions is sent to all Parents.

## GOOD EXAMPLE OF UNIFORM



## BAD EXAMPLE OF UNIFORM





## BISG PE KIT



