



BISG Preschool and Primary Dress Code

At BISG, we want students to feel comfortable, well-presented and ready to learn. Our dress code gives students a degree of personal choice while maintaining a clear BISG identity and appropriate standards for a school environment.

Students are expected to wear school uniform during the school day and at school-organised events unless they are told otherwise.

The dress code applies equally to all students and should be enforced consistently, respectfully and without assumptions based on gender, body shape or personal style.

Why do we have a dress code?

Our uniform is intended to:

- create a sense of belonging and shared BISG identity;
- help students feel part of one community;
- reduce social and financial pressure around clothing and fashion;
- provide a simple, practical way of dressing for school;
- support appropriate standards for a learning and working environment;
- ensure clothing and footwear are safe for school activities.

The dress code sets clear boundaries while allowing students personal choice within them. The aim is not for everyone to look identical, but for students to be recognisably part of BISG and dressed appropriately for school.

Everyday Uniform

Students may choose from the following:

Tops

- A white shirt or polo shirt, long- or short-sleeved, displaying the BISG logo.
- A navy blue jumper, sweatshirt, cardigan displaying the BISG logo.

A BISG logo must be visible at all times. If a jumper, sweatshirt or cardigan is worn over a shirt or polo shirt, the outer visible garment must therefore also display the BISG logo.

Small, discreet manufacturer logos are acceptable. Large commercial logos, slogans, images or other prominent branding are not part of the school uniform.

The BISG logo should be displayed on the left-hand side of the outer visible uniform top.

Bottoms

Students may wear:

- trousers;
- jeans;
- skirts;
- shorts.

These should be **navy, grey, black or another dark neutral colour** and should be clean, neat and suitable for school.

- Jeans are permitted provided they are tidy and appropriate for school. Ripped jeans are not permitted.
- Leggings and sports/tracksuit bottoms are not part of the everyday school uniform.
- Skirts and shorts should provide reasonable coverage and allow students to move around school comfortably.

Students are not expected to follow a particular fashion or cut of trousers or other clothing. Clothing should be clean, tidy, practical and within the choices set out above.

Socks and Tights

Students may wear plain socks or tights that work appropriately with the rest of the school uniform.

Footwear

- Students should wear clean, practical and safe footwear at school.
- Shoes worn inside the school building should have non-marking soles.
- Students should wear appropriate PE trainers with non-marking soles for PE lessons.
- Students must not wear wet, muddy or heavily soiled outdoor footwear around the school building.

Students should therefore keep suitable indoor or spare footwear in the cloakroom.

PE Kit

For PE lessons, students should have:

- a plain sports T-shirt;
- dark-coloured shorts or sports trousers;
- suitable sports trainers with non-marking soles.

Students may be asked to wear additional clothing or equipment where this is required for a particular sport or activity.

Jewellery, Hair, Make-up and Personal Appearance

Students have a degree of personal choice in how they present themselves.

Simple jewellery and accessories are permitted provided that they do not create a safety concern or prevent the student from participating appropriately in lessons. Jewellery must be removed where required for PE, practical lessons or other activities.

Long hair should be tied back where necessary for safety, particularly during PE, science, art and other practical activities.

Hair colour, hairstyles, make-up and nail polish are matters of personal choice unless they create a health or safety concern.

Clothing, accessories, images or wording that are offensive, discriminatory, threatening or otherwise unsuitable for a school community are not permitted.

The school may ask a student to change or remove an item where there is a genuine health or safety concern or where the item falls outside the expectations set out in this dress code.

Student Responsibility

As secondary students become increasingly independent, we expect them to take responsibility for following the dress code.

Students should arrive at school:

- wearing the appropriate uniform;
- with clean and suitable footwear;
- with the clothing and equipment required for PE or other activities.

Students are encouraged to ask a homeroom teacher or member of the Secondary Management Team if they are unsure whether something meets the dress code.

Role of Parents

We ask parents to support students in meeting the school dress code and to ensure that they have suitable uniform and PE clothing.

Parents purchase uniform clothing independently and may choose any retailer.

BISG badges are available from the school office:

- sew-on badge – PLN 10;
- iron-on badge – PLN 7.

The cost will be added to the next school invoice.

If obtaining a suitable uniform presents a difficulty for a family, parents are encouraged to contact the school. We will always try to find a reasonable solution.

When the Dress Code Is Not Followed

We expect dress-code issues to be dealt with calmly, consistently and proportionately.

For a minor or occasional issue, a member of staff will normally remind the student of the expectation and ask them to correct it where possible.

If a student repeatedly chooses not to follow the dress code, the homeroom teacher may contact parents and agree how the issue should be addressed.

Where non-compliance is persistent or deliberate despite reminders and communication with home, the matter may be referred to the Secondary Leadership Team.

Where clothing or footwear creates an immediate health or safety concern, the student may be asked to change before taking part in the relevant activity.

Our aim is to maintain appropriate standards without unnecessarily interrupting a student's learning.

Individual and Religious Requirements

BISG welcomes students from different cultures, backgrounds and faith communities.

Reasonable adaptations to the dress code will be made where required for religious, cultural, medical or other significant reasons. Parents or students should discuss any such requirements with the relevant member of the Secondary Leadership Team.

Review of the Dress Code

The Leadership Team will review the dress code periodically and will take account of feedback from students, parents and staff.

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