



# East Bergholt

## CEVC Primary School

'I have come that they might have life, and have it to the full' John 10:10

### **School Uniform Policy 2025-2027**

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## Introduction

Our school uniform promotes equality, belonging and pride in our school. It supports our Christian values of respect, community and responsibility, and ensures that all children can participate fully in school life without financial or practical barriers.

As well as being practical and smart, we believe that a sensible uniform policy will reinforce a positive learning environment as well as promote a unified school spirit and inspire a sense of pride in East Bergholt CEVC Primary School. It is our policy that all children wear uniform that complies with this policy when attending or representing our school in an organised event, either during or outside of school hours.

## The Role of Parents/Carers/ Guardians

We expect all parents/carers/guardians who send their children to East Bergholt CEVC Primary School to ensure that they comply with the requirements of the school's uniform policy.

Parents/carers/guardians are also expected to send their children to school in clothing that is clean, well-fitting and well-presented. If a pupil is not wearing the correct uniform, staff will address this sensitively with parents or carers to identify any underlying issues, including affordability. The school will never exclude or sanction a pupil for uniform issues related to cost or equality needs.

## School Uniform Suppliers

Supplier contracts are reviewed regularly to ensure best value and must be re-tendered at least every five years to demonstrate open competition and compliance with DfE guidance (2025 update).

Parents/carers/guardians may choose to purchase items of school uniform with or without the school logo. However, we do strongly encourage children to have at least one jumper/cardigan, one polo shirt and one PE top, with the school logo in order that they can be easily identified as a member of our school at external events such as school trips or sports events.

All uniform items can be sourced from multiple best value shops and, for non-logo items, the school does not recognise or endorse a particular supplier. For parents/carers/guardians who do wish to purchase items with the school logo on them, our supplier is C&D Uniform Solutions. Uniform can be ordered through the school website:

<https://www.candduniform.co.uk/school-shops/east-bergholt-primary-school>

## Pre-loved uniform items

The school and PFA work together to make second-hand uniform available throughout the year. Clear information on how to access pre-loved items is published on the school website and shared with new families at the start of each academic year.

We support the use of pre-loved items. Good condition uniform items that are no longer required can be donated to the school PFA. These items will be available to purchase for a small amount from regular PFA stalls, set up throughout the year.

## School uniform items

- School sweatshirt/cardigan (available to order online - see above) or green sweatshirt/cardigan
- White or green polo shirt

- White shirt
- Grey/black school trousers/school shorts/skirt/pinafore dress
- Grey/black/white socks/tights
- Black school shoes (no heels)
- Green check summer school dress

### **P.E. Kit**

- White t-shirt/East Bergholt PE top (available online - see above)
- Black shorts
- Plain tracksuit (winter field use)

### **General Rules**

- No nail varnishes
- Shoulder length or longer hair to be tied back with a simple dark coloured scrunchie or elasticated band
- Hair bands should be of a plain style in a dark colour with no adornments

### **Jewellery**

The school is committed to ensuring that our uniform policy does not discriminate on the grounds of gender, race, religion or belief, disability, sexual orientation or gender identity. Reasonable adjustments will be made for pupils with particular needs, disabilities or religious requirements.

For health and safety reasons we do not allow children to wear jewellery to school, with an exception being made for:

- Simple watches that only tell time and do not distract the child or other children from their learning
- Small earring studs in pierced ears
- Small objects of religious significance

It is essential that children do not wear any permitted item(s) of jewellery on a day that they have P.E. If this is unavoidable, then it is essential that they are able to remove any permitted item(s) of jewellery by themselves for P.E. lesson, to prevent any potential injuries from occurring.

### **Headscarves/Hijab**

These may be worn for religious reasons but must be plain and in keeping with the school colours.

### **Lost Property**

All items of clothing should be labelled with your child's name, as the school cannot accept responsibility for any articles lost or damaged on the school premises.

This policy and our uniform requirements are published on the school website and are available on request from the school office. The Governing Body reviews the policy every two years, or sooner if statutory guidance changes.

### **Policy review and parental consultation**

The Governing Body will consult with parents and pupils when making significant changes to the school uniform policy. Any changes will include a transition period of at least one academic year to prevent additional costs to families. The school will publish uniform information, including full cost details, supplier information, and second-hand availability, clearly on the school website.