



Autumn Edition

September 2022

Dear Families

On behalf of the new Admin Team in the school office at Castilion Primary School we are happy to welcome you to the 2022 – 2023 school year. We hope you have had a wonderful and restful summer!

There are now two members of staff in the office; Mrs Walford, Senior Administrator and Mrs Hatton, Administrative Assistant.

We are looking forward to meeting you at some point in the near future, so please do come and say hello!

Mrs Walford
Senior AdministratorMrs Hatton
Administration AssistantImage: Senior AdministratorImage: Senior Administration AssistantImage: Senior AdministratorImage: Senior

COMMUNICATION:	ONLINE PAYMENTS:
Please note: We now have a new system called Bromcom and will shortly be sending all correspondence via your email address using this system.	until we have the new system up and running. Once this is operational, we will contact you for
Teachers send most correspondence out via the Class Dojo so please ensure you have access to this.	payment. Any previous balances will be transferred over.
PLEASE ENSURE YOUR EMAIL AND MOBILE NUMBERS ARE UP TO DATE! OTHERWISE YOU WILL MISS OUT ON VITAL INFORMATION.	

WEBSITE

Our School website will be updated in the near future and you will be able to find all information such as term dates, newsletters and other important documents there. Please do check it regularly!

Our website address is: <u>www.castilion.bexley.sch.uk</u>

NEW UNIFORM PROCEDURES – A LETTER FROM MRS BISHOP, PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents/ Carers,

I have today been reviewing the uniform requirements and I would like to share these with you.

Wear your Castilion School uniform with pride.

- Children are no longer required to wear white shirts, they can now wear white polo tops. Children can continue to
 wear the shirts they have until they are ready to be replaced.
- Children are no longer required to wear ties.

All children should wear clothing that is in keeping with a purposeful learning ethos and is based on the following principles:

- Promotes a sense of pride amongst the children in the school
- Engenders a feeling of community and belonging
- Is practical and smart
- Identifies the children with the school
- Is not distracting in class (as fashion clothes might be)
- Makes children feel equal to their peers in terms of appearance
- Is regarded as suitable, and good value for money, by most parents
- Has been designed with health and safety in mind.
- Impacts positively on attitudes to learning

Please note that it is <u>not</u> compulsory to purchase logo items of school uniform, you may purchase plain uniform items from a shop of your choice - something that we actively encourage you to do.

Second-hand uniforms can benefit all parents, particularly those on low incomes. In addition, by extending the life of garments, it is more sustainable.

Boys	Girls
Grey trousersGrey shorts in the summer	 Grey skirt/tunic/trousers Green & white check dress in the summer Grey shorts in the summer
 White polo shirt 	 White polo shirt
 Grey socks 	 White/grey socks/tights
 Bottle green pullover or school sweatshirt 	 Bottle green cardigan or school sweatshirt

- Black school shoes
- No trainers or the equivalent
- Children are not allowed to wear boots

Please note: Shoes should not have flashing lights.

Sandals and other open footwear are not allowed at any time of the year

PE - children should come into school wearing their PE kit on days they have PE lessons

loor PE:	Outdoor PE:
 Black shorts White T-Shirt Bare feet Black leotards are acceptable for Junior Girls (if they can change in and out of these quickly) 	 Black shorts White T-Shirt Black plimsolls or training shoes Socks ONLY - No tights

 Children may wear a green fleece (with or without a school logo) or a plain black tracksuit top / fleece / hoodie with black jogging bottoms over their PE kit. 	
Water Bottles	Jewellery
 Please either purchase a Castilion Water bottle from the school office or provide your child with a clear plastic, push-up top water bottle 	 For health and safety reasons, please do not send your child to school wearing jewellery. If your child has already had his/her ears pierced, they may only wear plain studs, with no stones.

Watches

 Children may only wear plain, small, watches that only tell the time and do not allow any other activity to be accessed.

Hair

- Children should come to school with sensible haircuts. Skin-head, Mohican, motif haircuts, dyed hair and coloured extensions are not permitted.
- Children may wear plain beads but these must be tied back.
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- Nail varnish and make-up <u>MUST NOT</u> be worn.

Bookbags

Children need a green, flat book bag – no backpacks please. These should be clearly named on the outside. School book bags are available in the School Office for £7.00.

POLITE REMINDER - PARKING	PARENTS/CARERS OF OUR NURSERY
As our school is situated in a residential area, please ensure you are considerate when parking your car.	If your child is currently in our Nursery, you should now be applying for a Reception place for next September.
Please do NOT park on empty drives, block dropped kerbs or park in a way that will prevent an emergency vehicle such as a fire engine from getting through.	Please visit <u>www.bexley.gov.uk</u> and click on Primary Admissions.
Please respect our neighbours and each other when coming to and from school.	Please note: the closing date is 16 th January 2023 – any applications made after this date will be classed as a late application.

PARENT FORUMS

Mrs Bishop will be sending correspondence to you shortly via Dojo regarding upcoming Parent Forums. It would be wonderful to meet with you all and for you to come and find out what Castilion Primary School has planned for the future!

Nut Free School

As we have several children in school who suffer from a severe nut allergy we have made the decision to continue forwards as a 'Nut-Free School' If your child has a nut allergy could you please inform the school office and their teacher as soon as possible. Although we are now striving to be a nut-free school, it will be impossible to provide an absolute guarantee that no nuts will be brought onto the premises.

REMINDER

Dogs are not permitted on the school premises (even being carried!). Please keep your dog with you and do not leave it unattended at the gate. Please do not let other pupils stroke your dog without having prior permission from their Own parents/carers.

Thank you for your support.



