

HOBBS HILL WOOD PRIMARY SCHOOL

Uniform Policy

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Our Vision

Aiming for excellence; creating equal opportunities for each individual to develop academic and life skills so they can make a positive contribution to their community and become lifelong learners.

Our Mission

Inspiring confident and independent learners

Our Values

We believe that children should be able to enjoy the rights and uphold the responsibilities of the school charter.

School Charter

We have the right to:	We have a responsibility to:
Be safe in school and online	Behave in a safe way
Learn	Listen and try our best
Be supported with our learning	Support and help each other
Be happy, play and have fun	Share, be kind, polite and considerate towards others
Be respected and treated fairly	Be helpful and responsible
A clean and purposeful environment	Recycle and keep the class and school environment tidy
Speak and be heard	Listen and respect each other's opinion

1 Introduction

It is our school policy that all children wear school uniform when attending school, or when participating in school-organised events outside normal school hours. We ask children to wear their polo shirts tucked into their skirts or trousers and to take a pride in their personal appearance. Some items of uniform can be bought from our school uniform supplier (MAPAC), whilst others are easily available from supermarkets and high street stores. A second hand shop is also available (see below). A complete list of the items needed for school uniform, including those for Physical Education, is at the end of this policy.

2 Aims and objectives

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

- promotes a sense of pride in our school;
- helps to create a sense of community and belonging towards the school;
- identifies the children with the school;
- supports our commitment to inclusion;
- prevents children from wearing 'fashion clothes' that could be distracting in class;
- is practical, smart and designed with health and safety in mind; and
- is considered good value for money by the Governing Body and most parents.

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

Jewellery is considered to be any item of adornment to the body, which is not clothing. This includes all kinds of earrings (studs and 'sticks') and bangles (excluding medical bracelets). Children will not wear any form of jewellery except studs (for pierced ears) to school, in order to maintain their health and safety. Studs must be removed or covered for PE lessons to prevent them from causing injury.. Please note: teachers are not permitted to remove children's earrings. Watches are acceptable.

Hair longer than shoulder length must be tied back with a plain hair band, ribbon/bow or scrunchie. Hair that obscures a pupil's vision should be tied/held back or clipped. Hair bands, ribbons/bows or 'scrunchies' should be plain and discreet. Hair bands should not have large flowers attached. Extreme hairstyles are not appropriate for school. The use of styling products should be kept to a minimum and children should not have hair coloured or dyed. Make-up, nail varnish, tattoos or transfers are not permitted.

Make up and nail varnish should not be worn to school unless for an out of school hours function, for example a school disco.

4 Footwear

For health and safety reasons we do not allow children to wear shoes with platform soles or high heels. All children are required to wear plain black shoes without logos as stated in the uniform list. Ankle boots and boots are not permitted. Your child should wear shoes that he/she can do up independently. Please do not send your child to school in shoes which prevent them from running in the playground.

5 Meeting religious requirements

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 school will consider such requests sympathetically. If any parent would like to request a modification to the uniform policy they should, in the first instance, contact the headteacher.

Head coverings such as hijabs (which must not obscure the face) are acceptable but should be plain black or dark grey. These must also be removed during PE lessons, unless the Headteacher has given written permission, following confirmation in writing from parents that the child is post puberty, and only then if the hijab is smaller and close fitting.

6 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 and that the child's name is written 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. Children who arrive at school wearing non-school uniform clothing will be sent home after an initial warning. Parents will be contacted to discuss the matter. Pupils will be sent home if they persistently fail to conform to this policy.

7 The Role of Governors

The governing body supports the headteacher in implementing the school uniform policy. It considers all representations from parents regarding the uniform policy and liaises with the headteacher to ensure that the policy is implemented fairly and with sensitivity. It is the governors' responsibility to ensure that the school uniform meets all regulations concerning equal opportunities. Governors ensure the school uniform policy enables children to dress sensibly, in clothing that is hardwearing, safe, practical and good value for money.

8 Monitoring and Review

The governing body monitors and reviews the school uniform policy through its committee work by:

- seeking the views of parents, to ensure that they agree with and support the policy; and
- considering, with the headteacher, any requests from parents for individual children to have special dispensation with regard to school uniform.

School Uniform List

Our school uniform colour is a combination of yellow and purple. Items marked with a *, some of which have the school logo on, can only be purchased from our school uniform supplier. Please see our website for details of prices and how to order from either the school or our uniform provider.

Hobbs Hill Wood Primary School - Uniform List

It is the policy of the school that all children wear our agreed uniform every day. This fosters a feeling of belonging to our community, and helps children to feel equal to each other.

Primary School	Little Rockets Nursery
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Yellow polo shirt with school logo* • Smart black/dark grey trousers • Smart black/dark grey skirt, pinafore • Purple sweatshirt/cardigan with school logo* • Plain black, grey or white socks OR black or grey woollen tights • Flat, plain black school shoes (not trainers) • Summer option – smart black/dark grey shorts • Summer option – purple and white check dress* 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Yellow polo shirt with school logo* • Smart black/dark grey trousers • Smart black/dark grey skirt, pinafore • Purple sweatshirt/cardigan with school logo* • Plain black, grey or white socks OR black or grey woollen tights • Flat, plain black school shoes (not trainers) • Summer option – smart black/dark grey shorts • Summer option – purple and white check dress*
PE kit - to be kept at school in a draw string bag. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Indoor – Team coloured PE shirt with logo*, black shorts • Outdoor – Team coloured PE shirt with logo*, black shorts, trainers and purple hoodie* (for years 1-6 if cold) black tracksuit/jogging bottoms as an additional option (if wintry conditions) 	PE kit - to be kept at school in a draw string bag. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Indoor – yellow t-shirt with logo*, black shorts • Outdoor - yellow t-shirt with school logo*, black shorts, trainers

*these items are only available from the school/school uniform supplier

Second Hand Uniform

Parent volunteers operate a second hand uniform shop (when volunteers are available). This supplies uniform that has been donated by parents. Items are provided free of charge or for a small donation to school funds. Stock is subject to whatever is available at the time. The shop is usually open once each month.

General appearance

Girls' skirts

These must be modest length, close to the knee.

Polo shirts

Thermal layers and tops worn under polo shirts should not be visible.