



Uniform Policy

“Today’s learners are tomorrow’s leaders”

Introduction

It is our school policy that all children wear school uniform when attending school, or when participating in school-organised events during normal school hours (with some exceptions such as Residential School Journey).

We ask children to wear their shirts tucked into their skirts or trousers and to take a pride in their personal appearance. Uniform with the school’s logo can be bought from Whitehall Clothiers, however, acceptable alternatives are easily available, at very competitive prices, at local shops including supermarkets. It is not compulsory to wear the school logo.

Aims and objectives

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

- is considered good value for money by most parents;
- is the preference of a majority of parents at the school;
- 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;
- is considered good value for money by most parents;

Jewellery

For health and safety reasons we do not allow children to wear jewellery. The exceptions to this rule are ear-ring studs in pierced ears, and small objects of religious significance. Children are required to remove any items during PE lessons to prevent them from causing injury.

Please note: Teachers and support staff are not permitted to remove earrings.

Footwear

For health and safety reasons we do not allow children to wear shoes with open toes, platform soles or high heels. If inappropriate footwear is worn children may be asked to change into their PE shoes whilst inside the school building.

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 loaned an appropriate item to wear for that day. The same system will apply for children who do not have a PE kit. Parents may also be contacted to bring uniform in to school or 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 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.

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 policy meets all regulations concerning equal opportunities. Governors ensure that the school uniform policy enables children to dress sensibly, in clothing that is hardwearing, safe and practical

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;
- 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 colours are a combination of navy and grey/black. Children should come to school in:

- Plain navy or plain grey sweatshirts with or without logo
- White polo shirt (with or without logo), white blouse/shirt/T-shirt
- Plain navy or plain grey trousers or plain or navy grey joggers (no stripes)
- Plain navy or plain grey skirt/pinafore dress
- Light or dark blue/white check dress
- Footwear should be black

All clothing should be marked clearly with your child's name. Our supplier of school uniform and book bags is:

Whitehall Clothiers
244a Lewisham High Street
LEWISHAM
SE13 6LS
Tel: 020 8852 8967

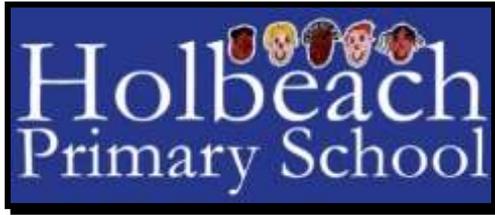
P.E. Kit

All children in school need a P.E. kit to change into. It should consist of:

- A plain white T-shirt
- Well fitting, blue cotton shorts (not Bermuda shorts, denim or lycra)
- A pair of black plimsolls or trainers
- A draw-string bag to store them in
- Jogging bottoms may be worn for outdoor PE

All these items may be purchased from Whitehall Clothiers or from Tesco, Sainsbury's, Asda's etc.

All P.E. kits should be clearly marked with your child's name. The kit should be brought into school on Monday morning and taken home on Friday to be washed.



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Signed:

Chair of Governors:..... (please print name)

Signed:

Headteacher: (please print name)

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