



HERNE JUNIOR SCHOOL

# SCHOOL UNIFORM POLICY

Governors of Herne Junior School recommend the wearing of school uniform, as this helps to maintain a smart outlook at the school and supports a sense of unity for following the school's Harmony Values and Good Behaviour Policy. This encourages pride in the school and the pupils. The uniform colour scheme is bottle green, grey and white.

The uniform consists of:

- Long or short dark grey trousers or a grey skirt or pinafore dress
- Leggings may *only* be worn under a skirt
- White shirt or Polo shirt, (school logo or plain), school tie optional
- Bottle Green school logo sweatshirt or cardigan (a non-logo bottle green sweatshirt or cardigan may be worn).
- Black shoes (low heeled), ***Not trainers***
- Green and white check or striped dresses may be worn in summer
- ***Closed*** toe sandals may be worn in the summer.

**Please Note: Open toe sandals *must not* be worn for health & safety reasons.**

**Trainers may not be worn in school, these are only for PE and sports use only.**

## **P.E. – Indoors:**

Bottle Green T-Shirt, black shorts (not lycra) and plimsolls. (School logo T-shirt or a plain bottle green non-logo T-shirt is acceptable)

## **P.E. – Outdoors:**

As above, but trainers should be worn on the field. It is recommended that tracksuits, jogging bottoms, hoodies are worn on cold days (black).

**Children are currently required to come to school in their PE kits on these days, thereby negating the need to change in school.**

## **Art and Craft:**

An old shirt, apron or suitable over-garment may be requested by the teacher for pupils.

## **Coats:**

Please ensure your child wears a '**Named**' coat to school on cold/wet days. This should preferably be waterproof or water resistant.

## **Fleeces:**

Herne fleeces are not an alternative to sweatshirts. They are an outdoor garment only. For some children with sensory needs, and with special permission from the Headteacher, Herne fleeces may be worn inside, instead of a jumper/ cardigan. A fleece does not replace the need for a warm, preferably, waterproof coat. Fleeces are not compulsory.

## **Hoodies in Year 6:**

In some years, the school's PTA – Herne Association of Families & Staff, arrange for Year 6 children to buy a hoodie with 'Leavers' and the year on the back, including the child's name. Again, this is not a compulsory item of clothing and is usually only available in the summer term (after ordering in the spring term). It is permissible to wear as an outdoor garment (i.e., not in class), and is allowed as part of the P.E kit.

## **Jewellery and hair accessories**

Only Stud-type earrings are allowed, these must be removed or covered with surgical tape during PE and swimming activities. Hair bands, scrunchies, bows etc. should be practical and plain, in either black or green or with the school green pattern of the dresses. No other jewellery, apart from a watch, may be worn in school as it is a health and safety risk. If a smart-watch is worn, it must not be used for communication during the school day.

## **Nail Varnish/False Nails/Make up/Tattoos (including temporary)/Extreme hair styles & Colours:**

These are all inappropriate for school and are **not** permitted. The wearing of these may result in your child having an internal exclusion. If you need further guidance, please contact us.

## **Race, Religion or Beliefs**

We are sensitive to the needs of different cultures, races and religions and will act reasonably to accommodate these needs without compromising important school policies such as safety or discipline. If the wearing of a specific item (or hair style) is a part of the tradition of a faith, the school embraces the right of children to wear these items or style, however, no jewellery is allowed to be worn in PE sessions, due to health and safety implications.

## **Suppliers and costs**

To avoid unnecessary costs to parents, we have kept goods with the school's logo to a minimum and review the costs of these periodically. All other items of uniform with the school logo on are available from Skoolkit, either online or in their shop in the Meridian Centre, Havant, or 'Allsorts' Market stall at Petersfield market. Ties are on sale at school.

## **Second hand uniform – cost effective and sustainable**

A small quantity of second-hand uniform may be available at school and from the local Free Shop Scheme, which is run from the Hub at the Petersfield Train station. There are also Facebook 'Free Giving Groups' for local schools' uniform (including Herne) and second-hand uniform sales group. At the end of each term any named lost property is returned to their owners, any **unnamed uniform is donated** to the Free Shop. Second hand uniform events are publicised on the Herne Flyer and on Social Media. The Flyer is always easily accessible on the school's [www.hernejunior.com](http://www.hernejunior.com) Home Page.

We ask for all items of school clothing to be named. Please check your child's uniform on a regular basis to ensure that their name is still legible. Every year we have to recycle a mountain of un-named uniforms, coats, shoes etc., so your help with this naming of uniform is much appreciated.

*This policy complies with the Government Non-Statutory Guidance on School Uniforms April 24, the Equality and Human rights Commission guidance on Preventing hair discrimination in schools and the Government Statutory Guidance on the Cost of school uniforms November 2021.*

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