

Hampton Vale Primary Academy

Uniform Policy

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1. Introduction

At Hampton Vale Primary Academy, we believe that a school uniform helps to establish a strong sense of identity, belonging, and pride in our school. This policy sets out expectations for uniform and appearance to promote equality, safety, and readiness for learning.

2. Aims and Rationale

The school uniform policy aims to:

- Create a sense of community and belonging.
- Support positive behaviour and high standards.
- Ensure pupils are dressed safely and appropriately for school activities.
- Reduce pressure on families by setting clear and consistent expectations.
- Respect cultural, religious, and medical needs.

3. Scope

This policy applies to all pupils attending Hampton Vale Primary Academy during the school day, when representing the school at events, or when taking part in school visits or activities.

4. Uniform Requirements

Acceptable Items

- Royal Blue Jumper
- Royal Blue Cardigans
- Blue gingham dress
- Black or grey trousers
- Black or grey shorts
- Black or grey knee length skirt
- White polo shirt
- Black Shoes

Unacceptable Items

- Trainers are not allowed in class on non PE Days
- Hoodies should not be worn in class on non PE days

Jumpers, cardigans and white polo tops ordered from the school shop will come with the embroidered HVPA logo.

PE Acceptable Items

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- Plain white logo tops
- Royal Blue shorts
- Trainers
- Royal Blue hoodie
- Black, navy and grey jogging bottoms

Unacceptable Items

- Branded logo sports clothes

Forest School Items

- Full waterproof suit with Forest School logo (optional)
- Wellies/old trainers
- Spare change of old clothes

Children are occasionally barefoot when using the hall.

Available school bags

- Royal blue book bags
- Royal blue sports bags
- Royal Blue backpack

4.1 Everyday Uniform

- Tops: White polo shirt, shirt, or blouse (school logo optional).
- Bottoms: Grey or black trousers, shorts, skirts, or pinafores.
- Dresses: Blue checked summer dress (optional).
- Outerwear: Royal blue jumper or cardigan (with or without logo).
- Shoes: Plain black, flat, closed-toe shoes (no trainers, sandals, boots or sports branding).
- Socks/Tights: Grey, navy, or white.

4.2 PE Kit

- White T-shirt (plain or school logo).
- Black or Royal Blue shorts, leggings, or tracksuit bottoms.
- Trainers or plimsolls suitable for physical activity.

4.3 Seasonal Items

- Warm coat in winter (any colour, but practical).
- Sun hat in summer (recommended).

5. Standards of Appearance

Uniform must be neat, clean, and worn correctly.

- Long hair below shoulder length must be tied back securely during the school day. Hair bands should be blue, white, or grey and should be discreet.
- Hairstyles should be simple and not distract from learning. Hair dye or extreme styles are not permitted.
- Jewellery: one small stud or sleeper in each ear only. No other jewellery is allowed, except for watches or items worn for religious reasons.
- Makeup and nail varnish are not permitted.
- Hats, caps, and hoods should not be worn indoors unless for medical or religious reasons.

6. Labelling of Clothing

All items of clothing, including PE kit, coats, and accessories, must be clearly labelled with the child's full name. This helps to reduce lost property and ensures that misplaced items can be quickly returned. The school cannot accept responsibility for lost, unlabelled items. We have a lost property called 'The Missing Sock' outside the front of the school where all lost items are safely and securely stored for you to access.

7. Purchasing Guidance

School uniform can be purchased directly through the school's uniform shop, available via the MCAS (MyChildAtSchool) app. Parents and carers are encouraged to use this service to ensure consistency and quality of uniform items. Further information be found on our school website: <https://www.hvp.org.uk/page/?title=Uniform&pid=62>

To support families:

- The school provides affordable options through its official supplier.
- Financial assistance may be available for families in hardship — parents/carers should contact the school office in confidence.

8. Equality and Inclusion

The school is committed to ensuring that the uniform policy is affordable and inclusive. Reasonable adjustments will be made for cultural, religious, or medical needs.

9. Enforcement

The Senior Leadership Team is responsible for ensuring the uniform policy is applied fairly and consistently.

- Pupils not in correct uniform will be reminded of uniform expectations and supported to ensure they meet these in a timely manner.
- Parents/guardians will be contacted if a pupil repeatedly fails to meet the uniform expectations.
- Further action will follow the school's behaviour and discipline policy.

10. Monitoring and Review

The Governing Body will review this policy every three years. Feedback will be sought from staff, parents, and pupils to ensure the policy remains practical, inclusive, and fair.