

SCHOOL UNIFORM & PERSONAL BELONGINGS POLICY

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Introduction

At Castle Hill Primary School, we have a strict uniform policy. The uniform is continually enhanced by pupil input and is supported by all. There is no exception.

It is our policy that all children wear school uniform when attending school, or when participating in school-organised events. We ask that children take a pride in their personal appearance. A complete list of the items needed for school uniform including those for Physical Education, is detailed below.

Aims & 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
- is considered good value for money by most parents.

Jewellery, Hair Ornaments, Make-up and Nail Varnish

As a school we have a duty of care to protect the children and wearing any jewellery in school increases the risk of accidents.

To prevent any accidents or injury, any jewellery including earrings must **NOT** be worn at any time in school. If your child does wear earrings to school they will be asked to remove them (please note school staff are not permitted to remove them). If your child is unable to remove their earrings, or continues to come in to school wearing them, they will be unable take part in any kind of physical activity, including PE and playtimes and the parents will be called.

We also recommend that if you wish to get your child's ears pierced, that this is done during the six weeks summer holidays, to avoid wearing them into school.

Extreme hairstyles are not permitted which includes cuts below grade 2 and/or lines or patterns.

Long hair should be tied back and hair bands, ribbons/bows or 'scrunchies' should be plain and in the school colours blue, red or black. Hair bands should not have large flowers or bows attached.

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

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 as stated in the uniform list. No fashion shoes or trainers please. Sandals can be worn during the summer months provided they are in the school colours (black, white or navy).

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. 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 Uniform Policy school will consider such requests. If any parent would like to request a modification to the uniform policy they should, in the first instance, contact the Head of Year.

Purchasing CHPS Uniform

Uniform is easily available, at very competitive prices from Greenways Newsagents in Winklebury, Skoolkit in Basingstoke town centre, M&S and now My Clothing (Uniform Embroidery Service).

To order through My Clothing use this link [My Clothing Uniform](#) and select Castle Hill Primary School and by doing so CHPS will benefit from 5% cash donation as well as you earning Clubcard points.

Main Uniform

EYFS & KS1: Years R – 2 (Rooksdown Campus ONLY)

- Grey trousers, skirt or pinafore dress
- White shirt/blouse, crested polo shirt or plain white polo shirt
- Navy Round Neck Sweatshirt embroidered with logo
- Navy Fleece Jacket embroidered with logo (optional)
- Navy or black coats
- Black shoes no fashion shoes or trainers please

- Tights in Navy, Grey, Red or Cream
- Girls socks White, Grey or Black and Boys socks Grey or Black – no patterns or bright colours
- A warm, waterproof/shower resistant coat

KS2: Years 3 – 6 (Applicable to KS2 in both Greenbank and Rooksdown)

- Grey trousers or skirt
- White shirt/blouse or crested polo shirt or plain white polo shirt
- Navy V-Neck Sweatshirt embroidered with logo
- Boys & Girls Navy Blazer embroidered with logo (strongly recommended)
- Red and silver striped tie
- Navy or black coats
- Black shoes no fashion shoes or trainers please
- Tights in Navy or Grey
- Girls socks White, Grey or Black and Boys socks Grey or Black – no patterns or bright colours
- A warm, waterproof/shower resistant coat

Summer Uniform

The Summer uniform is as above, however boys can wear grey shorts and girls can wear light blue gingham summer dresses. Sandals can be worn during the summer months provided they are in the school colours (black, white or navy).

Summer uniform can be worn in the Summer Term and in Autumn 1, up to October Half Term.

Physical Education Uniform

- Light blue crested T-shirt
- Navy Shorts (unbranded)
- Navy or grey tracksuit (unbranded)
- Plimsoles for indoor work
- Trainers for outside

Personal Belongings

There are a few items that should not be brought into school for safety reasons. These obviously include things such as matches, knives, personal stereos, jewellery, money, collectable cards, expensive toys or precious items, as well as any other dangerous articles. Electronic equipment, such as mobile phones, smart watches, fitbits and hand-held games are not permitted in school (see information below).

The school cannot take responsibility for the loss or damage to any personal items brought into school.

Smart Watches, Mobile Phones and other electronic devices

As agreed by governors and our Student Senate, please be aware that, although we encourage children to wear watches into school, we do not allow your child to wear a 'smart' watch, or any watch that has the same functionality as a mobile phone or PC, on the school site.

Additionally, can we remind parents that mobile phones are not permitted in school. The only exception to this ruling is when it has been agreed that a child is permitted to walk some distance to and from school, and the parent feels that they should have one for contact in an emergency. In this instance we request that we have this in writing prior to the arrangement commencing, where possible this phone should be a basic model and not a smartphone. On arrival, the phone should be handed to your child's class teacher, who will return it at the end of the school day.

Please note: the school accepts no liability for loss or damage while on school premises, and if it has been found that a phone is being used inappropriately on school grounds, it will be confiscated.

Any mobile phone/device/smart watch which is used without the permission of a member of staff will be confiscated and kept in a safe place by the school until appropriate arrangements can be made for the collection of the phone/device/smart watch. The child will be dealt with in accordance with the school behaviour policy.

Under no circumstances should a mobile phone/device/smart watch be used to record still or video images, or to record audio whilst on the school premises.

The above stipulations are part of our safeguarding and child protection protocols and your compliance is requested for the safety and well-being of the whole school community.