HEAP BRIDGE VILLAGE PRIMARY SCHOOL

"Working together, learning together"

Uniform Policy

Headteacher

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We want our children to look smart when they are at school, and feel proud to wear their uniform. 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
- 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 and affordable

We regularly assess the overall cost implications for parents and in doing so avoid any variation or frequent changes in uniform; avoid the need for additional uniform for extra-curricular activities and engage with uniform suppliers to ensure best value for money (including the quality and durability of garments).

The Role of Parents

We believe that one of the responsibilities of parents is to **ensure that their child has the correct uniform**, and that it is clean, in good repair and **clearly labeled with the child's name**.

It is expected that your child will wear the correct school uniform (inc. shoes) every day. Any exceptions need to be discussed with the Headteacher.

The Role of Governors

The governing body supports the Headteacher in implementing the school's 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 and is in line with statutory guidance (November 2021), ensuring that the cost of school uniform is reasonable and secures the best value for money. Governors must ensure that the school Uniform Policy enables children to dress sensibly, in clothing that is hardwearing, safe, practical and affordable.

Where to buy School uniform

Branded uniform

Sweatshirts with the school logo embroidered on them are available from 'Top Form' (Monkhouse) in Rochdale and Bury. Hoodies for P.E. with the school logo on them are available through school. School ties are also available from the school office.

PLEASE NOTE - it is not an expectation that pupils wear school branded uniform - we provide the option only for parents who wish to buy it.

Monkhouse Parent Guide

Unbranded uniform can also be bought from most major stores at competitive prices.

School usually has a supply of second hand uniform that has been donated as children have grown. This is available to parents via the school office and means that good quality uniform can be reused rather than discarded.

Main Uniform (required)

Reception & Year 1	Year 2 - 6
Navy blue V-neck sweatshirt/cardigan (not the school hoodie)	
White polo shirt	White shirt (formal collar) & school tie (available from the school office)
Grey trousers, pinafore or skirt	
Blue Gingham dresses (in the summer)	
Black school shoes (trainers are not allowed) Red/Blue hair accessories	

P.E. Kit (required)

All children need a change of clothing for P.E. and Games. **On P.E. days pupils are allowed to wear their P.E. kit for school though it is important that pupils are still well presented and wearing the correct P.E. kit/uniform at all times.**

- Black pumps
- Navy shorts/joggers
- White T-shirt
- Trainers and training pants and school hoodie for outdoor games

P.E. kits must be in a drawstring bag and left in school for use every day. Each class has timetabled lessons for P.E. but occasionally kit may be needed for extra sports.

- The cloakrooms are not big enough to accommodate large sports bags so please do not allow your child to bring one to school.
- Branded shirts, football shirts and tracksuits should not be worn.
- All clothing and belongings should be clearly labelled with your child's name.

Hair, Jewellery and accessories

All children are expected to wear their hair off the face. Long hair should be tied back with a simple band or slide. No other head attire is acceptable other than that required for religious reasons. If hair colour is used it must be a natural shade and where hair is shaved this must be evenly done with no patterns. No make-up, nail polish or visible tattoos are allowed.

For health and safety reasons jewellery of any description is not allowed. Rings, necklaces, bracelets and earrings are a hazard in school, they are liable to be damaged or lost and more importantly they can cause serious injuries at playtimes and during P.E. lessons.

We do not recommend pierced ears for any child since ear studs have to be removed (or taped) for P.E. & swimming and this can lead to infections, accidents and loss of earrings.

Teachers will not remove ear studs for pupils on health and safety grounds and they do not take responsibility for any losses.

Other items

- Please **do not send your child in to school with a large school bag**. Book bags and lunch boxes are permitted but all other bags should be left at home.
- Children need a coat for school, school bag, wellington boots for Reception classes, and in the summer, a sunhat – all to be provided from home and named.