

Holt House
Infant School
and Pre-School



Uniform Policy

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Introduction

It is our policy that all children wear school uniform when attending the schools, including trips and visits. The exceptions are planned dress down days and residential trips.

Aims and Objectives

Our policy on school uniform seeks to:

- promote a sense of pride in the schools
- foster a sense of community and belonging
- be practical, smart and cost effective
- make children feel equal to their peers in terms of appearance
- be healthy and safe

School Uniform at Holt House Infant School and Pre-School

Uniform colours are: navy blue, pale blue, white, dark grey and black.

The school logo is optional, however it should be the only visible logo.

The Holt House dress code:

- Plain navy blue sweatshirt or cardigan (optionally with the school logo).
Please note that hoodies should not be worn indoors.
- Plain polo shirt in pale blue or white
- Plain trousers, shorts, skirts or pinafore dresses in black or dark grey (no jeans or jogging bottoms).
- Checked dresses in blue & white.
- Practical, smart footwear (appropriate to the season).
- Practical, smart sandals, with an ankle strap (summer term only).
- Plain socks, tights or leggings. Leggings should be worn under skirts, dresses or pinafores.

Pre-School:

- Pre-School children are required to wear a school polo shirt with other clothing of their own choice.

School Uniform at Carterknowle Junior School

Uniform colours are: navy blue, yellow, white, dark grey and black.

The school logo is optional, however it should be the only visible logo.

The Carterknowle dress code:

- Plain navy blue sweatshirt or cardigan (optionally with the school logo).
Please note that hoodies should not be worn indoors.
- Plain polo shirt in yellow or white.
- Plain trousers, shorts, skirts or pinafore dresses in black or dark grey (no jeans or jogging bottoms).
- Checked dresses in blue & white or yellow & white.
- Practical, smart footwear (appropriate to the season).
- Practical, smart sandals, with an ankle strap (summer term only).
- Plain socks, tights or leggings. Leggings must only be worn under skirts, dresses or pinafores.

Please note sweatshirts and cardigans with the school logo can be purchased through the school supplier via the office at either school. Fleece are also available for purchase to wear outdoors. Order forms are available from the reception areas in both schools and cheques should be made payable to 'Logo Leisurewear'. Non-logo uniform can be purchased from other shops.

PE Kit

The PE kit for both schools is:

- T-Shirt, shorts, leggings, socks, pumps or trainers.
- Pupils may wear tracksuits or other suitable warm clothing for outdoor PE lessons.

Footwear should be plain with no sports colours or logos. Pupils should wear slip-on plimsolls for all indoor PE lessons and trainers for outdoor lessons. The need for separate types of footwear depends on the types of activities the pupils will be doing during their lessons. It is recommended that children use a pair of old trainers for outdoor PE, rather than new ones.

Hair

- Any hair accessories, such as hair bands or scrunchies, should be plain eg black, blue or grey.
- If a hijab is worn this should be plain eg black, blue or grey.

Health and Safety

- Children are not allowed to wear jewellery, with the exceptions of ear studs in pierced ears, watches and small objects of religious significance.
- Children are required to remove any items of jewellery for PE lessons, to prevent them from causing injury. Please note: staff are not permitted to remove earrings.
- Long hair needs to be tied back during PE.
- Make-up and nail varnish should not be worn.
- All footwear must be flat, practical and well-fitting, so that children can play safely and not trip.
- Summer sandals must have an ankle strap to hold them securely.
- Children must have a change of footwear for PE – trainers and/or plimsolls.

Lost Property

- ALL items should be clearly marked with the child's name.
- Any lost items without a name will be placed in the lost property cupboard and may be sold at a later date, or discarded at the end of each half term.

The Role of Parents and Carers

It is one of the responsibilities of parents and carers is to ensure that their child has the correct uniform and PE kit, and that it is clean, well-fitting, in good repair and that the child's name is written on all items.

If a parent/carer 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 from school to wear for that day. The same system will apply for children who do not have a PE kit. Parents/carers will be contacted in the event that their child is not wearing school uniform.

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 meets all regulations concerning equal opportunities. Governors ensure that the school uniform policy enables children to dress sensibly, in clothing that is hard wearing, safe, practical and cost effective for parents and carers.

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.