

Hexham Middle School

Uniform Policy

July 2024

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HMS Uniform Policy

Uniform should be worn appropriately in regard to both the policy and the judgement of the pastoral and senior staff.

New logo on branded items from September 2021: For Year 5, and those replacing their uniform from September 2021.

General

Item	Description	Notes
School sweatshirt	HMS bottle green with school logo	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Only from approved uniform supplier
White polo shirt	Plain white polo shirt with/without school logo	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Logo version optional
Trousers/shorts	Grey/black formal trousers/shorts	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No leggings, jeans or jean-like trousers or shorts No tight cycling style type shorts or similar Shorts a long length and not unduly short No logos, studs or obvious zips
Skirt	Grey/black formal school skirts	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Knee-length Not unduly short Not jersey stretch fabric
Hosiery/Socks	Plain black tights or plain black, grey or white socks	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No visible logos or patterns
Shoes*	Plain black leather/leather effect, polished shoes or low-heeled boots	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No patent or suede No trainers or sports shoes No obvious logos or branding No adornments

Accessories

Item	Description	Notes
Belts	Plain Black	
Hairstyles	Natural hair colour	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No extreme hairstyles
Jewellery	Watches and one plain set of ear studs are permitted	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ears studs must be removed for PE** No earrings or other piercings
Make-up	A reasonable amount of make-up may be worn	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> False nails are not permitted No nail varnish

If there are issues with a pupil's uniform we will work with the family to support in resolving the issue.

* For health and safety reasons pupils will be expected to change their footwear for PE lessons.

**Please time ear piercing to be during the summer holidays so that it does not prevent removing studs in PE lessons

PE Uniform

Item	Description	Notes
Green polo shirt	Green HMS logo short sleeved T-shirt	Purchased from Michael Sehgal: https://www.michaelsehgal.co.uk/hexhamGreenhoodedtop Green HMS logo hooded top middle-school-school-uniforms/s61
Green hooded top	Green HMS logo hooded top	
Shorts or sports leggings or tracksuit bottoms	Black football style shorts OR black full length Lycra sports leggings OR plain tracksuit bottoms	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No cycling style shorts No obvious logos or branding
Sports socks	Black sports style socks	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Full length recommended for protection in team games

PE Footwear

Item	Description	Notes
Studded football or rugby boots	For use on 3G Astroturf	No bladed boots Moulded boots are the cheapest and most comfortable boot choice School shoes are not permitted for any PE lesson
Astroturf trainers or running shoes	For use in indoor halls or outdoor hard courts (sand-based Astroturf and MUGA)	Soles need to have a good tread design to ensure excellent grip. Worn soles are a slip hazard. School shoes are not permitted for any PE lesson
Please follow this link for more details: https://www.hexhammiddleschool.co.uk/index.php/school-uniform		

PE Personal Protective Equipment

Item	Description	Notes
Shin pads	Age-appropriate shin pads, with or without ankle guards	<u>Strongly recommended</u> for football and hockey <u>Essential</u> for playing on HMS teams
Mouth guard	Self-moulding mouth guard	Strongly recommended for hockey and rugby <u>Essential</u> for playing on HMS teams.
Hair Bobble	Keeps vision clear	<u>Essential</u> Long hair must be tied back during PE lessons and for participation in all curriculum and extra-curricular activities

Safety in PE

The PE Department strongly recommends that pupils use appropriate safety equipment when taking part in activities at school. This includes the use of gum shields in rugby and hockey and shin pads in football and hockey. This advice is not mandatory but is strongly recommended. Parents/carers should ensure that their child brings the correct PE equipment to every lesson. In line with basic health and safety guidelines for sport and physical activity, all hair must be tied back and all jewellery, including ear studs, must be removed for pupils to participate within PE and extracurricular activity.