

Little Munden C of E (VC) Primary School

Building Good Foundations

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Uniform Policy

Adopted by Little Munden Governing Body:

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Introduction

It is our school policy that all children wear school uniform when attending school, or when participating in a school-organised event outside normal school hours. We provide a complete list of the items needed for school uniform on our website.

Aims and objectives

Our policy on school uniform is based on the notion that school uniform:

- promotes a sense of pride in the school;
- engenders a sense of community and belonging towards the school;
- is practical and smart;
- identifies the children with the school;
- prevents children from coming to school in fashion clothes that could be distracting in class;
- makes children feel equal to their peers in terms of appearance;
- is regarded as suitable wear for school and good value for money by most parents;
- is designed with health and safety in mind.

Uniform

The school colours are navy blue and gold. All children are expected to wear school uniform and in this we have always had parental support. Generic uniform items, such as trousers, dresses and shirts can be purchased from any retailer, such as supermarkets.

Logo uniform can be purchased from **Kids Connection** in Hertford either in the store or online at www.kidsconnection.co.uk.

Please note that new uniform cannot be purchased via the School, but some second hand school logo items are available from the office for a small donation to school.

Uniform

Clothing Item	Colour
Sweatshirt/Cardigan	Navy blue with school badge preferred. Especially for off-site school activities or class/whole school photos.
Shirt, blouse or polo shirt	White, long or short sleeved.
Trousers or shorts	Dark grey
Skirt or pinafore dress	Dark grey
Summer dress	Navy check
Socks or tights	White, grey, black or navy
School tie – optional (KS2 only)	Navy with gold stripes

Children wear sensible dark shoes for school. No jewellery should be worn for safety reasons. Children with pierced ears may wear plain studs, but these must be removed for physical activities.

PE Kit

Indoor	Outdoor
Navy Blue or Black football/P.E. shorts White T-shirt (White T-shirt with logo for off-site sports activities) Black or white socks <i>All PE items should be plain and non-branded.</i>	Navy Blue or Black Tracksuit/bottoms Navy Blue or Black Fleece/hoodie White T-shirt (White T-shirt with logo for off-site sports activities) Black or white socks Trainers <i>All PE items should be plain and non-branded.</i>

PE takes place twice a week. Children should come to school in their full PE kits on these days. Trainers should be left in school all week to be used for the Daily Mile or play on the field at lunchtimes.

All items of clothing and personal belongings should be clearly named.”

Jewellery

On health and safety grounds we do not allow children to wear jewellery in our school. The exceptions to this rule are ear-ring studs in pierced ears, and small objects of religious significance, such as a crucifix on a chain. We ask the children to remove these objects during PE and games, or, if unable to for a valid reason, cover them with micro pore tape or a plaster, to prevent them from causing injury.

Extreme haircuts

The school does not permit children to have ‘extreme’ haircuts that could serve as a distraction to other children.

Footwear

The school wishes all children to grow into healthy adults. We believe that it is dangerous for children to wear shoes that have platform soles or high heels, so we do not allow children to wear such shoes in our school. Neither do we allow children to wear trainers to school; this is because we think that this footwear is appropriate for sport or for leisurewear, but is not in keeping with the smart appearance of a school uniform. We require all children to wear shoes as stated in the uniform list.

The role of parents

We ask all parents who send their children to our school to support the school uniform policy. We believe that parents have a duty to send their children to school correctly dressed and ready for their daily schoolwork. One of the responsibilities of parents is to ensure that their child has the correct uniform, and that it is clean and in good repair. Children’s uniform should also be labelled clearly with the child’s name.

If any parent would like the school to modify the uniform policy, they should make representation, in the first instance, to the headteacher. 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 look sympathetically at such requests.

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 helps children to dress sensibly, in clothing that is hardwearing, safe and practical.

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;
- requiring the headteacher to report to the governors on the way the school uniform policy is implemented.