

HOLY TRINITY C of E PRIMARY SCHOOL

Benner Lane, West End, Woking, Surrey, GU24 9JQ

Executive Head: Mr J Hills

SCHOOL UNIFORM POLICY

Non-Statutory
Surrey Model
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Introduction of a school track suit from September 2022 Hair bands/clips etc should be simple and in school colours – black, grey and gold

We expect all parents to provide school uniform and adhere to the school uniform policy. We expect pupils to wear their uniforms with pride and expect shirts to be tucked in and cardigans/sweatshirts not to be tied around the waist.

Purpose of a school uniform:-

- To give a sense of belonging and unity to the school.
- To enable children to concentrate on their education and not be preoccupied with fashion.
- To enable all children to come to school and not be confronted by peer pressure.
- To assist parents so that children do not make a fuss over what they are going to wear for the day.

The school uniform is gold.

Availability

All items of Holy Trinity School uniform are available from Valentino's in Knaphill: <u>https://www.valentinoschoolwear.com/holy-trinity-school-west-end</u>

You are also able to purchase grey trousers, skirts, pleated culottes, black jogging bottoms, playsuits and pinafores from chain stores and children's outfitters.

Good quality second-hand uniform can also be purchased through the Holy Trinity School Association (HTSA).

<u>Girls</u>

Grey ("Winter") uniform: white blouses or polo shirts (with or without Holy Trinity logo), grey pinafore dress, grey pleated culottes (skirt length style), grey skirt, or grey tailored trousers (tight fitting fashion trousers are not allowed), Holy Trinity gold sweatshirt or Holy Trinity gold cardigan, white or grey socks or grey or black tights. School uniform must not have any form of embroidery on other than the Holy Trinity design.

Yellow ("Summer") uniform: yellow striped or gingham dresses/playsuit and white socks. Holy Trinity gold sweatshirt or Holy Trinity gold cardigan is optional, unless required for formal occasions.

The school has not set specific dates around when children should move from wearing the "Winter" and "Summer" uniforms – this is left to the discretion of parents.

Black/navy/dark blue or brown school shoes with laces, slip-on, Velcro or buckle fastening are acceptable. Lightweight shoes are acceptable for the summer months. No sandals, as these generally provide poor foot support and protection and are inadequate on wet playgrounds!

- No fashion shoes of an exaggerated type are to be worn
- No other colours
- No suede
- No boots
- No high heels or platforms
- No sandals
- No trainers (except for use in Games lessons)

Boys

White shirts or polo shirts (with or without Holy Trinity logo), grey trousers or shorts (non-fashion, classic design (not 'cargo style'), gold Holy Trinity school sweatshirt, plain grey socks. The wearing of the gold Holy Trinity school sweatshirt is optional in warmer Summer months unless required for formal occasions.

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P.E Kit

- For Physical Education lessons, boys and girls wear white T-shirts (with or without Holy Trinity logo), and black shorts (not cycle shorts) or skorts. Children work barefoot indoors unless they have a foot infection, but will need either plimsolls or trainers for school field / playground lessons. Trainers may be worn for games lessons only or at break times when outside but not within the school building. White or grey socks can be worn for PE.
- A uniform tracksuit is being introduced from September 2022 however children with the black school logo sweatshirt can continue to use them until they have grown out of them. The new tracksuit is comprised of plain black jogging bottoms (not leggings), and an encore ¼ zip sports top with the Holy Trinity logo.

Children should not borrow other children's PE / games kit.

<u>Coats</u>

We do not specify a uniform coat but during the winter it is important that children have their coats in school. As well as break time and lunch time there may be other times when pupils are working outside the classroom and for all these occasions they will require a coat. Valentino's stock a reversable, showerproof coat with the Holy Trinity logo but it is not compulsory.

Hats

We encourage the wearing of a hat during the summer term for protection against the sun. A hat with the school logo may be purchased from Valentino's, however any hat to protect from the sun is acceptable. Children may wear hats to school at other times of the year if they wish to do so.

Art/craft shirts

All children should have protective clothing for use in art and craft sessions. Old shirts are useful for this, especially if elasticated at the wrists.

Jewellery and make-up

Make up and nail varnish may NOT be worn in school and we do not allow the wearing of jewellery except a watch and plain stud earrings. Children who cannot remove and replace earrings themselves should not wear them on P.E days.

Children should wear regular, simple hair / Alice band or clips in the school colours of black, grey or gold and not over-sized hair bands and bows which can be a distraction.

No child is permitted to wear any form of jewellery, including ear-studs, during a P.E lesson. If you are likely to have your child's ears pierced, IT IS ESSENTIAL to have this done at the beginning of the summer holidays so that P.E. lessons are not missed. It is irresponsible if parents allow ear-piercing which prevents their children from fulfilling National Curriculum requirements.

Body adornments e.g. mimic tattoos, hair braids / beads and body piercings are not acceptable in school.

Appendix A – letter to parents explaining changes

11th January 2022

PE Uniform Update

Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you to those who responded to the questionnaire we sent out before the summer holidays regarding the proposed changes to the Holy Trinity PE kit. Apologies for the lateness of this response, but due to changes in government guidance re school uniform and also some issues over clothing samples, it has taken some time to reach the right decision.

We are very proud of being part of Holy Trinity and wearing a school uniform gives a sense of belonging and unity to the school. It enables children to concentrate on their education and not be preoccupied with fashion, whilst reducing the likelihood of children being confronted by peer pressure to have the latest 'label'. It also makes life a little easier in the morning when children know what they need to wear for the day.

Following the changes we made during lockdown, children now come to school in their PE kit for the day rather than changing. We have appreciated the additional learning time this provides, given children no longer need to change in class. However, with children now arriving in an array of sportswear, we feel we have lost that sense of community and pride in uniform at Holy Trinity which normal school uniform brings. **We are therefore introducing a standard PE kit.**

Taking into consideration your responses to the PE uniform questionnaire, the Governors can confirm that from **September 2022** the PE kit policy will be as follows (amendments to current policy are in bold):

- White t-shirt (with or without Holy Trinity logo)
- Black shorts or skort (not cycle shorts)
- Plain black jogging bottoms (not leggings)
- Encore ¼ zip sports top with Holy Trinity logo see photo
- white/ grey socks
- Children work barefoot indoors unless they have a foot infection, but will need trainers for school field/playground lessons.

The top can be purchased from Valentino's in Knaphill. Valentino's also stock the remainder of the items on the PE kit list, however items where the logo is optional can be purchased from other stores such as larger supermarkets, sports shops etc, should you prefer.

Please note, these changes to the uniform policy will be effective from September 2022, but the sports top will be available from Valentino's earlier than that – we will let you know when they are in stock. If you have purchased a black Holy Trinity sweatshirt top (with logo) then there is no need to purchase the new one until your child has grown out of this. Should your children wish to come to school on their PE days in the new uniform this academic year, they are welcome to do so.

We have been mindful of costs throughout the decision making process. The new PE top will be the only branded item of kit; all other items can be purchased from supermarkets and other sources. The price of the new ¼ zip encore top is:

24/26 £21.99 26/28 £21.99 30/32 £21.99 34/36 £22.99

However, Valentino's are offering all parents a special extended 15% off promotion on this item for all orders placed between now and the end of May 2022, which will bring the price of the garment down to £18.69 / £19.54, depending on size. Obviously over time we will expect there to be opportunities to buy used sports tops from our HTSA Second Hand Uniform store.



We are very proud of our school uniform at Holy Trinity, and look forward to seeing the children in their new PE uniform in due course.

Kind regards.

Holy Trinity Governing Body