

# Hawridge and Cholesbury CE School



## School Uniform Policy 2026-2027

*Our Vision is for every child within the Hawridge & Cholesbury family to grow, flourish 'have life and ... have it more abundantly' (John 10:10 KLV); to be fascinated, rounded, eager to make a difference, spiritual and have high aspirations through Jesus' teaching and our curriculum.*

We live our vision through our natural setting and our school values:

Respect Teamwork Responsibility Understanding Peace Honesty

**Adopted by the Governing Body on 25 March 2026**

Minor Updates: June 2026

**Next review: March 2027**

## Introduction

The purpose of school uniform is to create a sense of identity – one in which children can be proud of belonging to their school. It is expected that all children will wear school uniform while attending Hawridge & Cholesbury CE School. In exceptional circumstances, such as residential trips, mufti days, forest school etc., children may be informed that they do not need to wear school uniform. This will be communicated to the parents/carers in written form via email, letter or text message.

School uniform is worn by all pupils in Reception through to Y6. Parents are asked to ensure that their child adheres to the uniform rules. Full acceptance of the wearing of uniform helps the school maintain high standards of behaviour and self-discipline.

From September 2026 primary schools can only have three branded items as part of their school uniform. For Hawridge & Cholesbury these three items are:

- School jumper/cardigan
- School tie
- Long-sleeved sports/training top

### **Hawridge & Cholesbury CE School uniform (all classes):**

- Dark grey trousers or shorts, black or grey socks
- Grey pinafore dress or skirt, grey tights or white socks
- Plain blue shirt
- Branded school jumper/cardigan
- Branded school tie
- Black sensible shoes – no trainers, boots or heels
- Optional summer wear: Blue checked dress.
- A coat must be worn to school except in very warm weather, when a light waterproof jacket should be brought to school in case of showery weather. **N.B. Tracksuit tops, denim jackets or sweatshirts are not acceptable as coats.**
- Hats may only be worn for specific reasons i.e. warmth in cold weather or as a sunshade.
- Sunhats will be needed during the summer.

### **P.E Kit:**

- Branded long-sleeved sports / training top
- Navy shorts or black tracksuit bottoms, if it is cold
- White T-Shirt
- Plimsolls

### **Changes to 2026/2027 Uniform**

Although the Hawridge and Cholesbury CE School uniform will be changing from September 2026. Children will be allowed to continue to wear the uniform detailed in the 2025/2026 policy for the 2026/2027 academic year or until they need to replace items during that year.

## **Important Information**

- Children may not wear jewellery or nail varnish to school.
- Only sleeper studs may be worn with pierced ears. Children should remove or cover these with tape for PE and sporting activities. N.B. School is not able to supply tape.
- Wristwatches (not Smartwatches) are allowed.
- 'Fashion' haircuts which shave patterns into the hair are not permitted. Hair should not be dyed.
- Children must have a pair of wellington boots in school every day as they will need them for break times.
- Smartwatches or any devices that take videos or photographs are not allowed in school under any circumstances.
- No bell bottom or skin-tight trousers should be worn.
- All long hair must be plaited or tied up securely to minimise the risk of head infestation and to ensure safety during PE and science lessons. Hair accessories should be simple, plain blue or black.
- Use of book bags is encouraged in all years up to Y5.
- All items of clothing and personal belongings should be clearly labelled with the child's name.
- All children should have their own named water bottle in school every day.

Persistent non-adherence to this policy may lead to action being taken under the Behaviour Policy.

## **Where can I get uniform?**

Uniform should be ordered via the link on the school website. Second hand uniform can be ordered from the PSA representative using the email address on the school website. Please speak to the school office if you have any queries about school uniform.

## **Useful tips!**

- Clip on ties or ties sewn onto elastic are much easier to put on and often look smarter.
- Velcro fastenings on shoes are much easier to manage.
- Please try to stick to the school size book bags and P.E kit bags, as space in our cloakrooms is very limited.

## **Equal Opportunities**

The wearing of head coverings, such as hijabs or patkas, all year round is permitted for religious observance. The coverings should be plain black, plain blue or plain white and suitable for both normal school activities and PE. In the event that this policy does not meet the needs of an individual pupil, we will work with the child and their family to identify suitable options. This policy has been written in accordance with, and meets the requirements of the Equality Act 2010