



# Little Hadham Primary School

## Dress Code Policy

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At Little Hadham Primary School we believe that children who are comfortable and active will be more effective learners and have better physical, mental and emotional health. We also believe in celebrating each child as an individual and promoting inclusion and diversity throughout the school, and our dress code reflects this and the importance of our forest school approach to education.

Admission to our school implies acceptance of our dress code policy.

### **Compulsory dress code**

- **Hoodie, zipped hoodie or sweatshirt with a school logo.** These are available in a wide variety of colours. They can be purchased from either of the following shops:  
<https://little-hadham-primary-school.any-wear.co.uk/>  
<https://www.fostersschoolwear.co.uk/shop/?school=Little+Hadham+Primary+School>
- **Activewear tops.** These may include t-shirts, polo shirts, vest tops and singlets which are of a suitable length so, for example, no crop tops.
- **Activewear 'bottoms'.** These may include shorts, skorts, tracksuit bottoms or leggings. If you are unsure please consider whether the item would be suitable to wear to a gym. No denim or football kits.
- **Trainers.** They should be sports trainers; again if unsure please consider if you could wear them as running shoes and train in them. Fashion pumps such as Converse style shoes, plimsoles and football boots are not to be worn.

### **Jewellery**

Children are not allowed to wear jewellery at school, except for small stud earrings. Children will be asked to remove any other jewellery and this will be kept in the office and returned to them at the end of the day. The school reserves the right to ask a child to remove or cover up their earrings if they cause safety concerns. Children are not allowed to wear smart watches.

### **Hair**

Hair longer than shoulder length should be tied up to reduce the spread of headlice and for health and safety reasons during PE lessons to avoid it getting caught.

### **Dress code interpretation**

The school retains the right to act as the final authority in the interpretation of the dress code. If unsure, parents and children are advised to contact the headteacher for clarification before purchasing an item.

### **Quality concerns**

Where a faulty garment is supplied, parents are asked to contact the supplier directly in the first instance. Garbmann can be contacted at [enquiries@garbmenn.com](mailto:enquiries@garbmenn.com) or by phoning 01799 786003 and Fosters can be contacted at [info@fostersschoolwear.co.uk](mailto:info@fostersschoolwear.co.uk) or by phoning 01279 653865. Should this not produce a satisfactory outcome, parents are asked to speak to the Office Manager.

### **Sustainable/eco friendly logo tops**

Little Hadham Primary School accept donations of old or unused logo tops. The school has these sustainable tops for sale through the office. Parents are invited to donate their child's logo top when they no longer need it.

**Dress code assistance**

The school supports vulnerable families in meeting the costs of obtaining dress code items. Parents are asked to contact the school to request assistance with the purchase of the school dress code. Such requests will be considered on a case by case basis. In cases of financial hardship, the school provides second-hand dress code items to parents at no charge.