



IMBERHORNE SCHOOL

Policy Document



The Cornerstones of our
Learning Community

Headteacher: Mr Martin Brown

Policy Name: **School Uniform and Dress Code**

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School uniform identifies students with Imberhorne School and should be worn with pride and a sense of responsibility. The school gives careful consideration to the cost of our uniform and tries to ensure that it always provides good value for money. Costs of all items of uniform are regularly reviewed and compared with clothing available elsewhere.

The school sells uniform ordered through a supplier, SWI. Uniform can be purchased from our online shop.

Support is available to help families meet the cost of new uniform:

- For students in receipt of free school meals, we offer subsidies to support the purchasing of uniform. Miss K Moss (kmoos@imberhorne.co.uk) is the first point of contact for families seeking such assistance
- For any family experiencing hardship, or who simply want to avail themselves of this opportunity, we also offer previously owned items of uniform. Once again, Miss K Moss is the first point of contact for such enquiries.

The school has a clear and firm policy on uniform, including PE kit, and we ask parents to study our guidance on the uniform website page carefully and give it their full support. This avoids us having to spend valuable time reminding students about details or subjecting parents to unnecessary expense as a result of them buying items of uniform that are unacceptable.

We think our uniform is smart, practical and versatile and, for these reasons, we are precise about how it should be worn. Below is a SUMMARY of the main points concerning uniform and dress code.

- Boys should wear black trousers. These should not be tight from hip to ankle, nor should they be of a jean or chino style/material.
- Girls may wear either trousers (as described above) or the compulsory school skirt (available through the school uniform shop). Skirts must be worn at an appropriate length, shortly above the knee.
- Jumpers are to be worn on top of polo shirts. They can be taken off, but not worn around the waist or shoulders.
- Jewellery is limited to one small stud in each ear lobe for all students at either key stage.
- Nails should be natural e.g. no varnish, acrylics etc. at either key stage.
- KS4 students only may wear a discreet amount of make-up.
- Hair should be a uniform style and not shaved, cut very short (below grade 2) or have lines/patterns cut into it.
- Students must wear low-heeled/soled black shoes, **not trainers or plimsolls**, with plain black socks.
- All clothing/possessions should be identified with a student's name.
- If students are not able to attend school at any time in full uniform, a letter must be brought from parents/carers explaining the reasons to the appropriate Head of Year.

To support parents/carers and students, and help provide clear guidance on how our uniform should appear, the school provides visual guides on the school website. See www.imberhorne.co.uk/content/uniform

If there are problems with the school uniform?

If this is for a day or longer, please provide a note to explain the circumstances. Students must see their Head of Year by 8.40am. If a note is brought from home, the Head of Year can give permission by issuing a green card for one day. If a note from home is not provided, students will be issued with a red card.

Persistent failure to comply with school uniform rules will result in a sanction.