

# Meopham School: Uniform

<p><b>Blazer</b> (Mandatory) Purchase anywhere or from Monkhouse. (Badge available from school).</p>	<p>Black, with an embroidered school badge on the pocket. Loose badges to attach to a blazer are available directly from the school, payment is via the parent pay account. For 2024 students are able to buy a blazer with a Meopham School logo embroidered on from Monkhouse.</p>
<p><b>School Tie</b> (Mandatory) Purchase from school.</p>	<p>Meopham School tie (black with gold stripe) is available directly from school, payment is via the parent pay account.</p>
<p><b>Shirt</b> (Mandatory) Purchase anywhere</p>	<p>Plain white, long or short sleeved with a standard collar and top button. To be worn tucked in and with the school tie. Any clothing worn under the shirt must not show above the collar or have wording or logos that are visible through the material of the shirt.</p>
<p><b>Trousers or Skirt</b> (Mandatory) Purchase anywhere</p>	<p>Plain black straight school trousers (no jeans or fashion trousers) or plain black, a-line, pleated, knee length skirt. No stretch fabric or pencil style skirts. Skirts are not to be worn rolled at the waist. Belts may be worn if required but must not have a fashion buckle.</p>
<p><b>School Jumper</b> (Optional) Purchase anywhere</p>	<p>Plain black woolen v-neck (no sweatshirts or logos). Jumpers are the only permitted additional item of clothing for extra warmth. Jumpers should not be tied at the back or tucked in.</p>
<p><b>Footwear</b> (Mandatory) Purchase anywhere</p>	<p>Black leather, or vegan alternative, school shoes. Trainers of any kind are not permitted, this includes Nike black trainers. Any shoes with sports logos on are considered to be trainers. Plain black short socks or black opaque tights. (Knee high socks/frills/ bows are not permitted.)</p>
<p><b>Coats</b> (Optional) Purchase anywhere</p>	<p>Coats are weatherproof garments to be worn <u>over the top of the blazer, not instead of</u>. Hoodies, tracksuit tops and sweatshirts are not part of the school uniform and are not acceptable.</p>
<p><b>PE Kit</b> (Mandatory) Official items come from the kitlocker online shop</p>	<p>Link to the Kitlocker Meopham site: <a href="https://www.kitlocker.com/education/school/meopham-school">https://www.kitlocker.com/education/school/meopham-school</a> T-shirt: Official school PE T-shirt with the school logo. Must fit appropriately. Shorts: Official school PE shorts with the school logo. Must fit appropriately. Footwear: Appropriate sports trainers. Football boots for winter sports (long metal studs are not permitted). Socks: Standard socks for indoor sports. Black football socks for football and rugby. Other items: Shin pads, gum shields (for year 8-10 students who choose to do contact rugby).</p>
<p><b>PE Kit</b> (Optional)  Official items come from kitlocker online shop</p>	<p>Optional additional items (all items worn in PE must be part of the uniform range): Sweatshirt: Official school PE 1/4 zip or round neck sweatshirt with the school logo. Rain jacket: Official school PE rain jacket with the school logo. Joggers: Official school PE joggers with the school logo. Leggings: Official school PE leggings with the school logo. Grip socks: In dance and gymnastics lessons students are required to go bare foot or have the option to wear appropriate grip socks for sport/physical activity.</p> <p>Strictly not permitted: Hoodies. Branded sportswear or clothing that is not part of our uniform range. Clothing of colours other than black. Clothing which does not fit appropriately. Skorts. Winter / School jackets/coats.</p>
<p><b>School Bag</b> (Mandatory) Purchase anywhere</p>	<p>An appropriate bag to carry school equipment suitable for holding A4 books. A second bag may be needed for PE.</p>

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**Please ensure that all clothing is named. Students who do not meet the uniform requirements may be sent home, by notification, to correct their uniform. Students may also spend time in the Student Support Provision if their uniform is not to an acceptable standard.**

## Mobile Phones and Electronic Devices

At Meopham School, we aim to provide all students with a calm and purposeful environment that allows all students to work without distraction. To prevent any disruption to learning, to promote face to face socialisation and reduce electronic communication being used for unkind behaviour, mobile phones or other such electronic devices (such as smart-watches) must be switched off and kept out of sight in a school bag for the duration of the school day.

In Years 7 - 11, if a mobile phone, electronic device, earbud or smartwatch is seen, heard, used or found to have been used during the school day, staff will respond consistently, promptly and assertively by confiscating it. Once confiscated by a member of staff the phone will be kept securely until collection. The student will also be issued with a C4 after school detention. The mobile phone can be collected at the end of the school day.

Refusal to hand a mobile phone over for confiscation will result in a period of time in the school's Student Support Provision (SSP) and the student may lose the privilege of bringing a phone into school in their bag. However, if a breach of the mobile phone policy becomes repeated, the confiscated phone can only be collected by a parent or carer. If a parent or carer is unable to collect the phone, the student will have it returned on the last day of that specific term.

There may be exceptional circumstances to this matter and we comply with our duty to make reasonable adjustments. In order to request a reasonable adjustment a formal request must be made to the Headteacher from the parent/carer. For further information, please refer to the Mobile Phone and Electronic Devices Policy on the school website.

## Hair, Jewellery and Headphones/ Earbuds

- No jewellery is to be worn by students in school. This includes ear, nose, tongue and any other piercings, as well as necklaces and bracelets.
- A wrist watch may be worn.
- Hairbands can be used to tie back long hair, but fashion hair accessories are not acceptable.
- Hair must be of natural colour. Hair styles must be smart and appropriate for school. In particular students must avoid extreme or sharp variations in hair length for fashion effects.
- Headphones / earbuds are not allowed in school

## Make-up

<b>Acceptable</b>	<b>Unacceptable</b>
Subtle application of concealer or foundation to cover blemishes or spots	Fake tan
Natural nails	Any form of fake nails or polish. Ensure nails are returned to natural state following any holidays.
Natural eyelashes	Any form of unnatural eyelashes or mascara.
Natural eyebrows	Eyeliner and eyeshadow.



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## Equipment

All students should attend school ready to learn. This includes having the correct equipment. The minimum required is:

- x2 Pens (blue or black ink), X1 green pen, x2 Pencils, x1 Ruler, x1 Eraser and a scientific calculator.
- Optional but useful items for a pencil case would include: A highlighter or two, A few colouring pencils of various colours, glue stick such as Pritt. No Tippex or similar correcting fluids are to be brought into school.

## Practical Subjects

All pupils must wear aprons to protect their clothing during practical sessions in Design Technology, and Food Technology. Aprons are provided during these lessons. Long hair must be tied back for practical lessons. On some occasions a change of clothing, a protective apron or goggles are necessary in Art, Science or Drama. Students are given advance warning of these sessions.

## Valuables

No valuables should be brought into school. The school cannot take responsibility for money or valuable personal possessions. For this reason, students should not bring in smart watches, headphones, earbuds, computer games devices, tablets, or other such items. Students may carry a mobile phone, but these are carried at the students own risk.

***Please note:*** In the event of a disagreement over any aspect of the uniform rules, including appropriate hair-styles and application of makeup, the Deputy Headteachers decision is final. We will always explain the reasons for any decisions made. If you are in any doubt regarding the suitability of an item of clothing, hairstyle or application of makeup - please contact your child's Head of Year for clarification.