

UNIFORM GUIDE 2014

NAMES!

PLEASE REMEMBER TO PUT YOUR CHILD'S NAME IN ALL ITEMS OF CLOTHING / SHOES !!

PLEASE ALSO REMEMBER TO CHECK THE LOST PROPERTY CART REGULARLY FOR MISSING ITEMS.

School staff do not have time to check and return individual items to children, even when they have names in them – it is up to you and your child to check the lost property.

UNIFORM DONATIONS

IF YOU HAVE SCHOOL UNIFORM ITEMS YOU NO LONGER NEED PLEASE DONATE THEM TO US TO SELL IN OUR SECOND HAND SHOP!

All donations should be clean and all names should be crossed out or removed.

Please hand donations into the school office, or to a parent council member during the second hand sales.

KEY DATES SUMMARY

30TH MAY	SECOND HAND UNIFORM STALL PLAYGROUND 9AM / 3PM
16TH – 20TH JUNE	PAPER ORDER FORMS TAKEN RIVERSIDE OUTDOOR CLASSROOM, 9AM / 3PM
23RD & 24TH JUNE	SECOND HAND SALE AND UNIFORM AMNESTY PLAYGROUND 9AM / 3PM
18TH JULY	DEADLINE FOR ONLINE ORDERS FOR AUGUST SCHOOL DELIVERY
11th & 12th AUGUST	UNIFORM ORDERS AVAILABLE TO COLLECT SCHOOL HALL 9AM – 12PM

HOW DO I BUY IT?

ON-LINE FOR CHEAPEST PRICES

www.border-embroideries.co.uk

You can order on-line using the border embroideries website at any time of the year. Click on the box at the bottom of the homepage which says 'SCHOOLS ONLINE ORDERING' All items are available at the 'direct to school ' price, see table at end of letter for 2014 prices.

Orders are delivered in the following way:

1) FREE DELIVERY direct to school.

During the year, they make a delivery once each month. You can collect your order from the school office. In the summer term orders are delivered in one bulk delivery to school in the summer holidays. We hand out the orders on the last two days of the holiday from the school hall.

MONDAY 11TH & TUESDAY 12TH AUGUST 9AM – 12PM

PLEASE NOTE YOU MUST PLACE YOUR ONLINE ORDER BY **FRIDAY JULY 18TH** TO BE INCLUDED IN THIS BULK DELIVERY. BORDER EMBROIDERIES SUSPEND THEIR MONTHLY SCHOOL DELIVERIES FROM JUNE UNTIL SEP SO THEY CAN DEAL WITH THE BULK ORDERS.

2) HOME DELIVERY

Orders can be sent directly to your home address. You will pay an additional postage fee for this service.

PAPER ORDER FORM

We encourage all parents to use the on-line ordering system, however during the summer term we also provide a paper order form for those who would prefer to use this method.

Forms can be collected from the school office during June, and have to be completed and handed in with cheque or EXACT cash payment to parent council volunteers during set 'payment sessions' in the school.

Mon 16th – Friday 20th June. Outdoor Classroom (river-side playground entrance). 9am and 3pm

Please DO NOT hand these forms back into the school office or to class teachers.

TRUTEX SHOP

All items (except school shoes) are available from the Trutex Shop at any time of year.

35B ARGYLE STREET, GLASGOW, G2 8AH

Tel: 0141 221 4472 Email : glasgow@trutex.com

This is situated in the arcade leading off Argyle Street, to Argyle St station (opposite Marks and Spencer). The shop is at the back of this arcade with the shop front facing out onto Osborne Street and the back of the St Enoch centre.

Grey trousers, skirts, socks, etc are also available from a variety of other high street retailers.

Please note prices are higher in the shop. A price comparison table can be viewed at the end of this letter.

CAN I BUY SECOND HAND UNIFORM?

We would like to encourage all our parents to recycle uniform items where possible. Please try and pass on to other children any garments that no longer fit.

You can also donate uniform items to the school and we will sell them at our second hand uniform stalls. Uniform items should be CLEAN and in a reasonable condition. Items can be handed in to the school office.

FUTURE SECOND HAND STALL DATES:

FRIDAY 30TH MAY

MONDAY 23RD & TUESDAY 24TH JUNE

Tables are set out in the playground at 9am and 3pm.

We ask parents to help themselves to items they can use and in return make a small donation to school funds.

All the money raised will go the school and used to enhance the children's' learning experience.

During the last few days of term – Monday 23rd – Wednesday 25th June we have a uniform amnesty, so that those pupils who wish to donate their current school uniform to the second hand stall can hand it in and wear suitable alternative clothing on these days.

HOW DO I EXCHANGE OR RETURN ITEMS?

Items ordered on-line or using the paper order form and picked up from school can be exchanged at the Trutex Shop in town.

WHERE CAN I SEE EXAMPLES OF THE UNIFORM?

You can see all uniform items in the Trutex shop (details above) and this is the best place to go and look at sizes before ordering.

You will also find pictures of the uniform on our website and on the border embroideries website.

For parents of the new P1 intake, there will be uniform samples and information available at the induction sessions.

IS THE UNIFORM FAIRTRADE?

As a Fairtrade School, Hillhead are working towards offering fairly traded uniform items. In the survey that children and parents completed before the transition to the new school it was highlighted as an area many felt strongly about.

Currently the uniform includes a fair trade polo shirt, sweatshirt and PE T-shirt.

Fairtrade is about better prices, decent working conditions, local sustainability, and fair terms of trade for farmers and workers in the developing world. Fairtrade addresses the injustices of conventional trade, which traditionally discriminates against the poorest, weakest producers. It enables them to improve their position and have more control over their lives.

NEW PARENTS?

Please note the parent council will attend the induction session for new parents on the 5th June.

We will have:

- Second hand uniform available to buy.
- Samples of the new uniform in various sizes for parents to look at.
- Information sheets about how to buy the uniform.
- Paper order forms for those that would like to use this method.

New parents can hand in paper order forms and cash / cheque to parent council volunteers at the second induction session on 12th June.

WHAT IS THE UNIFORM?

ESSENTIAL

- White polo shirt featuring the school badge.
- Grey trousers, shorts, skirt or pinafore.
- Grey or bottle green tights.
- Grey or white socks.
- Black school shoes.

P.E KIT

- White T-shirt.
- Black shorts or black jogging bottoms.
- Black / White gym shoes.

OUTDOORS LEARNING KIT

- 'Wetsuit' – lightweight navy waterproof trousers and jacket, embroidered with our badge and packed in a little bag, which can be kept at school and used for outdoor trips and wet play times.

WE STRONGLY ENCOURAGE PARENTS TO BUY A 'WETSUIT' FOR THEIR CHILD.

OPTIONAL EXTRAS

- Coat - waterproof / fleece heavyweight reversible jacket in bottle green.
- Fleece jacket in bottle green with zipper and school badge.
- Lightweight showerproof fleece jacket with zipper.
- Bags - rucksack style, two sizes, infant and junior, in bottle green with school badge.
- Gym bag – drawstring style, bottle green, with badge.
- Homework / book bag with badge.
- Ski hat – bottle green, one size, with badge.

VERY IMPORTANT – PLEASE PUT YOUR CHILD'S NAME IN ALL UNIFORM

- Personalised name tags available from Border Embroideries **£2.40 for 20**.
- Marks and Spencer also do a handy phone text service. You text your details and your phone bill is debited with £5 (50 labels).

<http://www.marksandspencer.com/s/kids/school-uniform/essentials/name-tape-service>

- These online companies below do a whole range of iron on / woven tapes along with stickers for lunch packs / water bottles etc:

www.easy2name.com

PRICE COMPARISON TABLE

ITEM	SHOP PRICE	ONLINE PRICE
SWEATSHIRT	£9.99	£7.50
FAIRTRADE SWEATSHIRT	£12.50	£10.35
SWEATSHIRT CARDIGAN	£11.99	£9.00
FAIRTRADE POLOSHIRT	£10.30	£8.80
GINGHAM SUMMER DRESS	£9.35	£9.35
COTTON FAIRTRADE GYM T-SHIRT	£7.00	£5.75
P.E. SHORTS COTTON TWILL	£6.00	£5.10
JOGGING PANTS	£8.50	£7.80
ZIPPED FLEECE JACKET	£14.99	£11.00
HEAVYWEIGHT JACKET WATERPROOF PVC / FLEECE	£24.99	£18.00
LIGHTWEIGHT SHOWERPROOF FLEECE JACKET	£19.99	£15.00
WATERPROOF 'WETSUIT' JACKET AND TROUSERS	£13.00	£11.00
INFANT BACKPACK	£8.25	£8.25
STANDARD BOOKBAG	£5.50	£5.00
JUNIOR BACKPACK	£8.99	£8.99
STANDARD GYMSAC	£3.84	£3.84
SKI HAT	£4.25	£4.25

Please note that this year we have slightly increased the direct prices in order to raise some money for school funds. Most items are still cheaper than in the shop and the increase is about 50p per item. We are running this as a trial in 2014 and we will welcome feedback from the parent forum about this scheme after the summer.