# CLOTHING AND KIT LIST FOR NEW BOYS

House Notes 2022



The Clothing and Kit List for New Boys gives the compulsory minimum requirements - in some cases, you may feel that your son would benefit from having more than the minimum number.

You are free to choose either of the School's official outfitters from which to buy your son's uniform. In addition to the required items, they also stock various items of House sports and leisure wear. None of these items are compulsory.

We recommend that you buy one bluer that will fit your son in September and another slightly larger one for him to grow into.

#### SHOES

Ideally, boys should purchase lace up shoes, which are reputedly better for growing feet and tend to be more hardwearing too!

#### SECOND HAND UNIFORM

A small supply of second-hand School uniform is available from the House; please contact Matron (Ms Jules Gardner) on 020 8872 8246 if you would like to make an appointment with her to view what is available. It is unlikely to be possible for you to do this on the day of the New Boys' Welcome Afternoon.

## **MARKING**

- All clothes, towels, bed linen etc. must be clearly and plainly marked with the boy's initials, surname and House laundry number (e.g. A.N.OTHER M73), using Cash's name tapes in on a white background. Boys will be informed of their laundry number towards the end of the Summer term prior to arrival. Marking clothing in pen is not acceptable.
- In Moretons, nametapes are blue for the first son, green for the second and red for the third. All tapes must be sewn on lengthwise, without folding. We suggest, therefore, that you make them as short as possible. Boys with double-barrelled names should abbreviate the first name with an initial e.g. Dobson-Jones would become D-Jones.
- Please ensure that shirts, pullovers, bluers, tailcoats, waistcoats, jackets, tracksuit tops, pyjama tops etc. are marked inside the back of the collar; socks should be marked lengthwise on the outside of the ankle (not the foot); shorts, trousers, tracksuit bottoms, swimming trunks, pyjama bottoms, underpants/boxers etc. should be marked inside the back of the waistband. Nametapes must be sewn on fully, **not in loops**.
- In addition, all main items of sportswear (shirts, shorts and tracksuits) should be marked on the front with a tape carrying a boy's initials in large blue lettering on a white background (available from both Billings & Edmonds and The Outfitters).
- Both Billings & Edmonds and The Outfitters will sew nametapes on clothes purchased from them for new boys. Boys can take any items purchased subsequently to Matron for marking. Please send a supply of at least 20 nametapes to Matron at the start of the Autumn term.
- Footwear can be marked either with stickers (available from both Billings & Edmonds and The Outfitters) or with marker pen.
- Please ensure that every item of clothing is marked, including home (i.e. casual) clothes, as unmarked items can easily go astray.

# **HARROW HATS**

The Harrow hat (which is emphatically not a 'boater') should be named, preferably with marker pen in large black capital letters on the underside of the rim. Boys should write their initials, surname and Mr Sampson's initials e.g. A.N.OTHER (SMS). The Harrow hat must be varnished for extra strength.

# HOUSE HARROW FOOTBALL SHIRTS AND CRICKET WHITES

There is no need to buy a House Harrow football shirt until the end of the Autumn term. Similarly, there is no need to purchase cricket kit until the end of the Spring term.

#### **TRUNKS**

Only boys who live overseas are allowed to bring trunks or suitcases into Moretons, as these are difficult to manoeuvre and store. Please use cheap, folding storage bags instead. Similarly, tuck boxes are not allowed in Moretons as boys have lockable desk cupboards.

#### **BED LINEN**

You will need to provide your own duvets and pillows, which must be fire retardant, plus at least two duvet covers and pillow cases. Duvets must be single size only. Bedsheets are provided by the House.

#### **HOUSE GAMES SHIRTS**

The Clothing and Kit List for New Boys specifies '2 House games shirts'. One of these should be a traditional cotton, Moretons rugby shirt and the other should be one of the modern-style Moretons shirts.

## The following items are also required for Moretons boys:

- 1 Harrow football shirt
- 1 pair of slippers/sliders
- 2 pairs of pyjamas or other nightwear
- 1 washbag
- 1 alarm clock (this is absolutely vital)
- 1 water bottle, for use in the House and on the playing fields
- A mouth-guard suitable for use in rugby, Harrow football and hockey
- 3 sock bags (one more than listed on the Clothing and Kit List for New Boys)
- A combination padlock for lockable cupboard

#### The following items are not compulsory but are recommended:

■ 1 Moretons hoodie ■ 6 coat hangers

■ 1 bottle of sunscreen ■ 1 dustpan and brush

■ 1 mug, plate and bowl to be named with marker pen ■ 1 small umbrella

If your son is likely to play cricket, then he will need cricket whites in due course, but it may be best to wait until Easter as boys aged 13 have a nasty habit of growing.

## **FURNITURE**

Each room is fully fitted with all necessary furniture, so no extra furniture is needed or indeed permitted. Every boy has his own electronic safe in which to store valuables. Boys are able to bring their own posters to personalise their rooms.

# **ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT**

Electrical appliances such as hairdryers, sandwich makers, fans, fan heaters, fridges, kettles and coffee machines constitute fire risks and are not permitted. Music systems should be small and not too powerful. Mobile phones are permitted, but their use by Shells is controlled. Tablets and other mobile devices are not allowed for Shell boys. Electronic equipment, including mobile phones, should be clearly named. The House insurance will not cover computers, mobile phones or music systems.

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