

St. Joseph's Catholic Primary School



Uniform Policy

“Inspired by St Joseph, together with
Christ, we learn, we grow, we love.”

The governors of St Joseph's Catholic School expect parents and carers to send their children to school wearing the appropriate uniform.

There are several main reasons for maintaining a strict uniform policy;

- It lowers overall costs for parents
- It prevents children from competing with each other on latest fashion trends
- All secondary schools have very strict uniform policies – our children need to get used to this at an early age
- At work they will need to present themselves appropriately – they need to understand this as a 'life skill'

Consequently uniform will be checked daily and parents will receive reminder letters from the class teacher should a child be out of school uniform.

The majority of the uniform can be purchased from supermarkets to keep expense to a minimum. Our sweatshirts / PE kit with school crest can be purchased from **Ace Clothing Company**

<http://www.aceclothing.co.uk> Tel: 020 8045 0296

For Boys:

Grey trousers

Navy sweatshirt with school crest (V-necked)

White shirt

Tie

Plain black or grey socks

Black shoes

Optional hot weather uniform – summer term and Autumn 1

Grey shorts and a white short-sleeved open neck shirt and tie (we are 'phasing out' white polo shirts with crest as these are expensive).

Navy school summer caps / hat - available from the uniform store if you so wish.

Black shoes

For Girls:

Navy skirt, pinafore dress or trousers (not leggings).

Navy cardigan with school crest

White blouse

Tie

Plain Black or navy blue tights or white socks

Black shoes

Optional hot weather uniform – summer term and Autumn 1

Navy / white check summer dress.

Grey shorts or navy skirt with a short-sleeved open neck shirt are acceptable.

Summer dresses should be worn with white socks (no tights). Navy school summer caps / hat - available from the uniform store if you so wish.

Black shoes

Nursery Children

A navy V-neck sweatshirt with school crest and navy jogger bottoms. Sky blue polo shirt with school crest. Black or white trainers.

Coats / gloves / woolly hats: Our aim is for children to remain warm and dry, consequently all children will be required to have a waterproof coat /scarf / woolly hat /gloves at all times in navy or black. The school uniform shop will provide an approved school winter coat and hat, but these are not compulsory. Many outlets sell appropriate navy or black coats etc at reasonable prices. Please note that denim jackets, hooded sweat top type wear, body warmers or fleeces are not permitted.

Footwear: All children should wear black school shoes; NO coloured trainers, NO high heel shoes, NO boots ('Kickers' or 'Dr Martens' are the only boots permitted). Trainers for PE should be completely black or white in colour. 'Converse' trainers are not considered appropriate for school wear and are not permitted. Children coming to school with inappropriate footwear will be asked to change into plimsolls.

Optional hot weather uniform – summer Term and Autumn 1: White or black sandals with white socks may be worn. Sandals should not have high heels or be open-toed for safety reasons.

PE lessons: Navy jogging bottoms with school crest, sweatshirt in house colour with school crest, polo shirt in house colour with school crest, plain navy or black shorts (for hot months) and black / white trainers. Navy PE shorts in the summer months.

Hair fashions: All hair must be tied back if long (beyond shoulder length). Hair should be their natural hair colour. The wearing of hard hair accessories (beads for example) is not permitted as these pose health and safety risks and can interfere with the legal requirement to participate in all PE lessons. **Extreme hairstyles or lines or designs cut into hair or eyebrows are not permitted.** Scarves are not permitted. Hair ribbons, if worn, should be navy or black in colour. Fashion hair accessories (i.e. large bows) are not permitted.

Children coming to school with hair that breaches this policy will be kept off the playground.

Jewellery: If ear-rings are worn, they can only be gold or silver un-jewelled stud ear-rings of no more than 4mm in diameter. Long, hanging or hooped ear-rings are extremely dangerous in school and not allowed. All stud ear-rings must be removed for PE lessons. Ear-rings worn that are not appropriate will be kept and held until a parent/carer can collect them.

The beginning of the summer holiday should be used if a child is to have ears pierced. Children incapable of removing and replacing stud ear-rings quickly without assistance should not wear them to school on PE days.

Other jewellery, bracelets, necklaces, rings, etc. must not be worn – a small crucifix is acceptable. If children have watches, they wear them at their own risk. Analogue or digital watches (for learning to tell the time) are the only ones allowed. Smart watches are not permitted.

Nail varnish is not allowed. If children wear it at the weekends or holidays, they must remove it before returning to school.

All clothing must be clearly marked with the child's name. It is impossible to identify the rightful owner without it!