

ST JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

School Uniform Policy

Mission Statement

**Together in faith we nurture, encourage and inspire each other to achieve excellence
and become all that Jesus calls us to be**

At St Joseph's Catholic Primary School, we believe school uniform plays a valuable role in contributing to the ethos of our school. We take great pride in our school uniform as we want only the best for our school and our children.

We also believe that it:

- Encourages identity with, and support for, school ethos.
- Sets an appropriate, positive tone.
- Instils pride.
- Supports positive behaviour and discipline.
- Ensures pupils of all races and backgrounds feel welcome.
- Nurtures cohesion between different groups of pupils.
- Protects children from social pressures to dress in a particular way.
- Should take account of health and safety issues.

Above all, we believe that school uniform supports effective teaching and learning.

Who was consulted?

This policy was agreed in consultation with pupils (via School Council and Assemblies), Parents, Governors, Staff in Summer 2015.

Relationship to other policies

This policy is related to the Behaviour and Discipline Policy

Roles and Responsibilities

Governors will ensure that:

- This policy is reviewed on a regular basis.
- They ensure that this policy takes account of latest guidance from the DfE.
- The school does not make a profit from school uniform.
- They monitor the effectiveness of this policy.

The Headteacher will ensure that:

- This policy is implemented.
- This policy is shared with all new parents to the school.
- Consider reasonable requests from parents for exemptions to this policy.

Staff will ensure that:

- They implement this policy, including writing to parents if incorrect uniform is worn, reporting to the Headteacher and/or Key Stage Team Leader, where appropriate.

Parents/carers are expected to:

- Ensure that their child(ren) comes to school in the correct uniform.
- Request, in writing to the headteacher, for an exemption from this policy for a specified time where exceptional circumstances prevent their child(ren) from wearing full uniform.

Pupils are expected to (appropriate to their age/maturity):

- Ensure that they support the school and parents in wearing the correct uniform to school.

PRACTICE

School Uniform

When deciding on school uniform, every effort has been made to ensure that we achieve best value for money whilst maintaining high standards. Our new school uniform was phased in from September 2015, with all pupils expected to wear the new uniform from September 2016. Pupils in the Foundation Stage commenced wearing the new uniform from September 2015. However, all other uniform expectations outlined in this policy were applied from September 2015. School specific uniform may be bought from our two suppliers: Wirral Uniform Centre, (Tartan kilts and pinafore).and Wallasey School Wear, Rake Lane, Wallasey.

Whilst all school specific uniform must be bought from these suppliers, other items such as shirts, blouses, trousers/shorts, summer dresses and school shoes are available from a range of sources.

All uniform should be labelled, either with a laundry marker pen or with an iron-on/sewn-in label

All aspects of our school uniform are expected to be adhered to and are monitored through our school Behaviour and Discipline Policy. If we find that a child is wearing clothing not specified on the uniform list without good reason, we will send a letter home reminding parents and carers of the school policy. We want all our children to take pride in their appearance.

St Joseph's Catholic Primary School Uniform

White shirt

School tie

Bottle green knitted cardigan with school badge

Bottle green knitted jumper with school badge

School tartan kilt **OR** School tartan pinafore dress

(Please note that other styles of skirts eg box pleats are **NOT** permitted)

Green and white checked dresses with white socks. (Summer)

Grey trousers

Grey shorts (Summer term)

Navy tights **OR** white grey or black socks

Sensible black shoes.

Bottle green school blazer with school badge (Optional)

The suppliers for school uniform are Wirral Uniform Centre, Birkenhead(Tel.647 9588 for kilts and pinafores) and Wallasey School Wear, Rake Lane, Wallasey.(Tel 638 2032)

Please note all school specific uniform (Blazer, Jumper/cardigan, tie, kilt/pinafore) must be bought from these suppliers. Orders may be placed through school.

Footwear

Sensible black shoes must be worn. Trainers, sandals or boots are **NOT** permitted

Hair

Long hair must be tied back (Hair band/bobbles should be sensible and ideally green)

Large or sparkly hair accessories are **NOT** permitted

Extreme hair styles or colours are **NOT** permitted. (This includes shaved hair designs/patterns)

Jewellery (exception stud earrings) is **NOT** permitted
(pupils should be able to remove their earrings themselves for PE)

Watches are permitted

PE Kit

Black shorts

White round neck T shirt with school badge

Black pumps

. We thank you for your cooperation with ensuring we set the highest possible standards of uniform for our school.