



# ST JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

Uniform Policy

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## **Introduction**

It is our school policy that all children wear school uniform when attending school, or when participating in school-organised events outside normal school hours, unless stated otherwise. We ask children to take pride in their personal appearance. Items of uniform with the school logo can be purchased from School Trends (the link is provided on the school website, via 'Parents' and 'School Uniform'). Others are easily available, at competitive prices, at local shops including supermarkets. A complete list of the items needed for school uniform including those for Physical Education, can be found further down.

## Aims and objectives

Our policy on school uniform is based on the belief that school uniform: promotes a sense of pride in our school; helps to create a sense of community and belonging towards the school; supports our commitment to inclusion; is practical, smart and designed with health and safety in mind; is considered good value for money by most parents.

# Jewellery, Hair Ornaments, Make-up and Nail Varnish

For health and safety reasons we do not allow children to wear jewellery. The exceptions to this rule are ear-ring studs in pierced ears, and small objects of religious significance.

However, children are required to remove any items during PE lessons to prevent them from causing injury. Please note: Teachers are not permitted to remove earrings from children. Children should not wear any hair ornaments that may be considered a distraction for themselves or others, this may be reconsidered for themed days. Make up and nail varnish should not be worn to school. Extreme hairstyles are not appropriate for school. The use of styling products should be kept to a minimum and children should not have decorative patterns cut into their hair or have their hair coloured or dyed.

#### **Footwear**

For health and safety reasons we do not allow children to wear shoes with platform soles or high heels. All children are required to wear plain black shoes without logos as stated in the uniform list. If boots are worn these should also be plain black.

## **The Role of Parents**

We believe that one of the responsibilities of parents is to ensure that their child has the correct uniform and PE kit, and that it is clean, in good condition and that the child's name is written on all items. If a parent has difficulties for any reason with fulfilling this request they are asked to speak to a senior member of staff to discuss the issues. Parents should be assured that we will do all we can to help. If children do arrive at school wearing non-school uniform clothing or do not have the correct PE kit parents will be contacted by a letter being sent home.

# **The Role of Governors**

The governing body supports the headteacher in implementing the school uniform policy. Governors ensure that the school uniform policy enables children to dress sensibly, in clothing that is hardwearing, safe and practical.

# **School Uniform List**

Our school uniform colour is a combination of green and gold. Please speak to our office staff for details of the supplier, School Trends.

For girls:

- Green Sweatshirt with school logo / Green cardigan with logo
- Gold Polo Shirt
- Smart Grey/Black Trousers / Grey/Black Pinafore / Grey/Black Skirt
- Yellow/Green gingham dress
- Black Sensible Shoes (No Trainers)

- White or black socks (not colourful)
- Black or grey tights (no leggings under skirts)

For boys:

- Green Sweatshirt with school logo
- Gold Polo Shirt
- Smart Grey/Black Trousers
- Black Sensible Shoes (No Trainers)
- White or black socks (not colourful)

Please note, your child should wear shoes which they can manage to fasten independently. Please do not send your child to school in shoes which prevent them from running safely in the playground.

# <u>P.E. Kit</u>

Children need a change of clothes and footwear for P.E (for health and hygiene reasons) and a bag in which to keep the kit at school and easily take home to be cleaned. PE kits and PE bags may be purchased from School Trends. All school uniform and P.E. kit MUST be named. Children can become upset as a result of lost clothing, please help us by naming everything.

Girls and boys wear:

- Gold Tee Shirt
- Green Shorts
- Black Indoor PE Pumps Velcro fastenings may help younger children
- Black bottoms and green school sweatshirt (no leggings are permitted) for outdoor lessons in cold weather
- Plain black or white running shoes/trainers

**All** jewellery should be removed for PE and games. This includes watches, rings, bracelets and earrings. Please note that if your child wears earrings,

children or adults are not permitted to tape them for activities. Therefore children must be able to remove them independently, as an adult is not permitted to assist. We advise that if your child wishes to get their ears pierced, this is done at the beginning of the summer holidays, to allow 6 weeks healing before they are able to be safely removed.

Parents, please ensure that your child has all of the above kit in school on their PE days. If children fail to have kit it will result in a note home – if this happens on a number of occasions children may lose time from their break or Fitness Friday activities.

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