



ST. JOSEPH'S

CATHOLIC PRIMARY AND NURSERY SCHOOL

'LEARNING TO LOVE, LOVING TO LEARN'

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SCHOOL UNIFORM POLICY

MISSION STATEMENT

At St Joseph's we share a vision that together we are the architects of the future, building lives on the firm foundations of the gospel.

Inspired by Christian values we aim to provide love and security within a curriculum designed to meet the complex needs of all individuals, in order to prepare them to take their place in the ever changing world of today and tomorrow.

It is our policy that children should wear uniform when attending school or when participating in a school organised event outside normal school hours. We provide a complete list of items needed for school uniform within this policy. The policy specifies exactly what choices there are and what we recommend that pupils should wear.

We request that you check with the school before purchasing any item that is not specifically listed. It is our aim to keep our uniform consistent. We ask that all parents support our effort to make all aspects of our school outstanding and we believe, as far as possible, a strict adherence to our uniform policy helps.

Aims and Objectives

Our policy is based on the notion that a school uniform:

- promotes a sense of pride in the school
- engenders a feeling of community and belonging
- supports positive behaviours and discipline
- is practical and smart
- identifies the children with the school
- makes children feel equal to their peers in terms of appearance
- prevents children coming to school in fashion or designer label clothes that could be distracting in class or create a sense of competition
- is regarded as suitable and good value for money by most parents

The Role of Parents

Strict compliance to the uniform policy is expected at all times. Should a child not attend in correct uniform, when appropriate spare uniform of the missing items will be provided for the day and the parent will be expected to discuss the issue at the end of the day, Should an item of school uniform prove problematic for a pupil with disabilities or there is a temporary valid reason then parents are invited to draw this to the attention of the Headteacher.

If any parent needs support to provide a full uniform, they should discuss this with the Headteacher. The school will always be considerate and try to assist. Pupils will not be made to feel uncomfortable, nor discriminated against, because their parents are unable to provide them with school uniform.

The Role of Governors

The governing body supports the headteacher in implementing the school uniform policy and liaises with the headteacher to ensure that the policy is implemented fairly and with sensitivity.

It is the governors' responsibility to ensure that the school uniform policy meets all national regulations concerning equal opportunities, and that our school uniform policy is consistent with our single equality policy. Governors ensure that the school uniform policy helps children to dress sensibly in clothing that is hardwearing, safe and practical and that suppliers provide best value.

Jewellery

On health and safety grounds we do not allow children to wear jewellery in our school. The only exceptions to the rule are plain small stud earrings – one per ear and the wearing of a small plain watch.

Extreme Haircuts and General Appearance

The school does not permit children to have haircuts that could serve as a distraction to other children. Parents should also be aware that tattoos, nail varnish or any other form of make-up are not permitted. Hair should be of a "natural colour". Long hair should be tied up and ribbons, bobbles, hair bands and slides should be simple in style and only in the school colour of dark navy, black or white. Short hair should not have fashion markings shaved into (e.g. tramlines).

Footwear

Children should wear black shoes to school (not trainers). We believe that it is dangerous for children to wear shoes with platform soles, open toed sandals or high heels, so we do not allow this. Wellington boots and other boots are only acceptable during period of adverse weather and the children should change into their school shoes upon arrival at school. Our school promotes the use of practical shoes that are well maintained and reflect our commitment to smart appearance and pride in school identity.

St Joseph's Catholic Primary School Uniform

All school uniform items with the School Logo have to be purchased on-line from School Uniform Direct at <https://www.schooluniformdirect.co.uk//schools/201/st-josephs-catholic-wandsworth>. Uniform items without the logo can be purchased from other suppliers, as long as they reflect the appropriate school colours as identified within our School Uniform Policy.

Second hand uniform sales regularly take place at school where pre-worn items can be bought. The school offers uniform support to pupil premium families (please ask at the school office for further information). **All articles of clothing should be clearly marked with the child's name.**

Reception to Year 6 (all required)



Navy blue jumper
(School logo)



White high collar shirt



Black trousers/shorts
(winter/summer)

Tie

Socks – Black
Shoes - Black

Reception to Year 6 (all required)



Navy blue cardigan
(School logo)



White open collar shirt



Tartan skirt



Navy Summer dress
(Summer Term only)

Socks – Black or White
Tights – Black
Shoes - Black

Nursery (all required)



Navy blue T-shirt
(School logo)



Navy blue sweatshirt
(School logo)



Navy blue joggers



Navy blue shorts

Socks – black

Shoes – black (Velcro) Trainers allowed.

PE – Reception – Year 6 (all required)



Navy blue sweatshirt
(School logo)



Navy blue T-shirt
(School logo)



Navy blue joggers



Navy blue shorts

Swimming – Juniors

Navy blue trunks/shorts (boys)

One piece navy swimming costume (girls)

Swim Hats

Goggles (optional)

Other School Uniform Items (all optional)



Navy blue coat
(School logo)



Rucksack – Years3-6
(School logo)



Book Bag – Nursery – Year 2
(School logo)



PE bag- Reception –Year 6
(School logo)



Baseball cap
(School logo)



Woolly hat
(School logo)

If the school logo versions of the above ‘Other school uniform items’ are not purchased plain navy blue or black should be worn.

Extreme Weather

Children should dress appropriately for extreme weather conditions. In the summer it is vital that children have a protective sun hat or cap. Sun cream should be applied before they arrive at school on hot summer days. Warm waterproof navy or black coats should be provided on extremely wet or snowy days.

Lost Property

In order to return lost property, all uniform including shoes, PE kits and personal items should be clearly marked with the child’s name.

POLICY REVIEW TERM: BIENNIAL

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