

St John XXIII Catholic Primary School



UNIFORM POLICY

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St John XXIII Mission Statement

‘We aim for excellence with God at the centre of all we

Think, do and say’

Vision Statement – Inspiring Faith in our Future

We believe that every pupil at St John XXIII Catholic Primary School can achieve high standards in a happy, calm, welcoming and safe environment. Good communication between staff, children, parents and Governors will enable effective conditions for learning and high expectations for every pupil in the school that values pupils' spiritual and physical health and nurtures self –esteem.

In partnership with our parish we will teach our pupils to respect and help each other, embracing differences and to follow principles of Catholic social teaching so that they recognise that people are more important than things and that we must support the poor and the vulnerable in our society. We will have clear and consistent expectations of behaviour based on strong moral values centred on our faith and a zero tolerance to bullying.

We celebrate our achievements and are proud of our successes.

We live out our daily life using the guide of our patron saint, St John XXIII. He continues to be a guide and inspiration for us and his words reflect the great hopes that we have for all the children who pass through the doors of our exceptional school.

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;
- is practical and smart;
- identifies the children with the school;
- is not distracting in class (as fashion clothes might be);
- makes children feel equal to their peers in terms of appearance;
- is regarded as suitable and good value for money;
- has been designed with health and safety in mind.

School uniform is worn by all pupils. Parents are asked to ensure that their child adheres to the uniform rules, both in spirit and to the letter. Full acceptance of the wearing of uniform helps the school to maintain high standards of behaviour and self-discipline.

By following the school uniform policy in relation to uniform, jewellery and hairstyles, the school promotes cohesion and good order across the school.

Winter Uniform

Boys: Dark grey trousers or shorts
 Plain white shirt
 Dark grey or navy socks
 Navy jumper with a school logo
 Navy sweatshirt with school logo is available for Nursery
 School tie (from school office)
 Black or navy shoes or trainers can be worn as long as they are plain
 with no logo or pattern

Girls: Navy pinafore or skirt
 Grey school trousers (not leggings)
 Plain white shirt
 White or navy socks or tights
 Navy cardigan or jumper with a school logo
 Navy sweatshirt with school logo is available for Nursery
 School tie (from school office)
 Black or navy shoes or trainers can be worn as long as they are plain
 with no logo or pattern
 Hair accessories must be in line with the school colours

Summer Uniform:

Girls: Yellow checked dress, dresses with shorts,
Boys: Dark grey shorts, yellow polo shirt with a school logo

A navy blue or black coat should be worn to school except in very warm weather.

Hats may only be worn for specific reasons, i.e. warmth in cold weather or as a sunshade.

P.E. Kit: white polo top
 Navy blue shorts
 Navy school tracksuit

Children not allowed to wear the following:

- Boots
- Denim, leather or brightly coloured coats
- Brightly coloured hats or scarves or any item of clothing with branding or logos which are not official school uniform items
- Brightly coloured hair accessories – bows, hard hair ornaments

As fashion trends can vary, the Headteacher reserves the right to introduce additional instructions regarding uniform and presentation as and when necessary to preserve the general ethos of the School Uniform Policy.

Jewellery:

We do not allow children to wear jewellery in school. The exceptions to this rule are small, plain, silver or gold studs in pierced ears. Studs with diamonds/stones in them are not permitted.

All children may wear an analogue watch. We ask children to remove watches during PE and games for health and safety reasons. No smart watches are permitted.

Hair Styles:

- Pupils should not wear extreme hair fashions, these include dyed or streaked hair and images or lines cut into the hair or eyebrows. Hairstyles must not incorporate any unnatural designs including ticks, lines and swirls.
- Children with hair which is shoulder length or longer must have this tied back during sports or science experiments.
- The use of hair gels, waxes, oils, mousses and any other styling products is not allowed. This also helps with health & safety in PE because some of the styling products can come off onto the PE mats, causing them to have a slippery surface which is obviously dangerous for any child.

If children come to school with styles that are not permitted within the spirit of the School Uniform Policy, parents will be contacted and advised that the style must be rectified. It is not possible to foresee misinterpretations of the policy or to predict future fashion trends so parents are reminded of the expectation that the decision of the school in such matters is to be respected at all times.

Make Up:

Make up and nail varnish are not allowed.

The Role of Parents:

We ask all parents who send their children to our school to support the school uniform policy. We believe that parents have the responsibility to send their children to school correctly dressed and ready for their daily schoolwork. Parents should ensure that their child has the correct uniform, and that it is clean and in good repair. If a child attends school without the correct school uniform or PE kit, coat or shoes, the Parent/Guardian will be contacted and requested to bring in the correct uniform to school.

The Role of Governors:

The governing body supports the Headteacher in implementing the school uniform policy. Governors ensure that the School Uniform Policy includes scrutiny that the uniform is hardwearing, safe, practical and good value for money.

Monitoring and review

This policy will be reviewed on an annual basis by the headteacher; any changes made to this policy will be communicated to all members of staff.