



HOLY CROSS CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Learn, Grow, Love, Live

Uniform Policy 2023-2024

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1.0	January 2023	Policy Updated

People Responsible:	Headteacher Governing Body
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Mission Statement

At Holy Cross Catholic Primary School,
we learn about ourselves and about the world.

We grow in faith,
we act with kindness, generosity and love
to ourselves and others.

We live life to the full and have a future full of hope.

Introduction

Our uniform policy reflects our values and reinforces our school's culture for high expectations. All pupils must dress according to the uniform policy. Our school uniform is important to us. It is one way in which we identify ourselves as a school community and it promotes a strong, cohesive identity which supports high standards and expectations in all areas of school life. It promotes harmony between different groups represented in the school and it enhances security.

Aims

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;
- identifies the children within the school;
- supports our commitment to inclusion;
- prevents children from wearing 'fashion clothes' which could be distracting in class and makes us all equal;
- is practical, smart and designed with health and safety in mind.

We ask parents and carers to support all decisions by school staff regarding whether or not school clothing is appropriate for school or not. The school's Governing Body agree the uniform policy on an annual basis and request that the policy is adhered to by all families in a consistent way. All parents sign a home-school agreement in which it states that the uniform policy will be respected and that parents will ensure that their children come dressed for school in the appropriate school uniform including footwear and PE kit.

On rare occasions there may be good reasons why a child is not in the correct uniform. In this case, parents and carers should share these reasons with the class teacher either in person or by letter/email. The school will always be considerate and discrete. In line with our ethos of working together, we encourage discussion with the school at the earliest opportunity if there is a reason why parents are unable to provide the correct uniform and support offered when necessary.

Jewellery, watches, hair, make-up and nail varnish

For health and safety reasons, we do not allow children to wear jewellery. The exceptions to this rule are one pair of small stud earrings in pierced ears and a wrist watch.

Children are required to remove any items during PE lessons to prevent them from causing injury. Teachers are not permitted to remove earrings. Wrist watches may be worn but only for the purposes of telling the time. Smart watches linked to mobile devices should not be worn or watches which make noises. Hair bands, scrunchies, ribbons, bows should be plain and where possible blue, black or white. Extreme hairstyles are not appropriate for school. Decorative patterns or 'tram lines' should not be cut into hair or coloured or dyed with extreme colours. For health and safety reasons and to ensure that it does not distract from learning, we advise that long hair be tied back. Children are not allowed to wear nail varnish or false nails and make-up or false tattoos are not allowed.

Uniform

	Boys	Girls
Autumn/Winter	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• White Polo Shirt• Green Sweatshirt or Green V-Necked Sweater showing school crest• Grey/Black Shorts or Trousers	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• White Polo Shirt• Green Sweatshirt or Green Cardigan showing school crest• Grey Skirt, Grey Trousers or Grey Pinafore Dress

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • White, Black or Grey Socks • Plain Black Shoes 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • White, black or grey socks OR grey tights • Plain black school shoes
Spring/Summer	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • White Polo Shirt • Green Sweatshirt or Green V-Necked Sweater showing school crest • Grey/Black Shorts or Trousers • White, Black or Grey Socks • Plain Black Shoes 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • White Polo Shirt • Green Sweatshirt or Green Cardigan showing school crest • Grey skirt, grey shorts, or grey pinafore dress OR green and white gingham small check dress • White, black or grey socks • Plain black school shoes
PE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • White plain t-shirt or 'house' colour t-shirt • Plain green or black shorts • Jogging bottoms during the colder months • Trainers 	
Swimming	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Boys – swimming trunks • All – towel, swimming hat for long hair, swimming bag for kit 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Girls – one-piece swimsuit (no bikinis) • swimming hat for long hair, swimming bag for kit

Clothing, bags etc with the school logo can be ordered through:

Famous School Branches, The Plaza, Sanford Street, Swindon, SN1 1HE

Tel: 01793 520843

Other items of clothing such as trousers, skirts and P.E. kits can be purchased from other retailers such as Tesco, Matalan, Asda etc. All items of uniform are required to be smart, modest and safe.

Footwear

Shoes must be black sensible and flat soled. Boots are not allowed. In the rare case of extreme weather, boots may be worn to school, but the children will be asked to change into their school shoes or black daps upon arrival.

Naming clothing and property

Please ensure that ALL clothing and property is clearly labelled so that lost articles can be easily traced and returned. While we endeavour to return all named items, any lost unnamed items will be displayed regularly on the school playground for parents to look through. Any unclaimed items will be recycled at the end of each term. The school cannot accept responsibility for any lost items.