

**ST. MARY'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL,
STUDLEY**



School Uniform Policy

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Date of Agreement

Date for Review



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1. INTRODUCTION

1.1 We believe that the wearing of uniform encourages children to have a sense of belonging and of being part of a community. It is an outward expression of the school's identity and promotes a feeling of pride, equality and aspiration. In addition, we believe that the wearing of a 'uniform', as opposed to leisure wear contributes to helping children understand that they come to school to work and learn.

1.2 It is our school policy that all children wear school uniform when attending school, or when participating in a school-organised event outside normal school hours.

2. AIMS

2.1 Our policy on school uniform is based on the following aims: -

- To ensure that children wear clothing to school which is safe and practical
- To promote pride in their school and a sense of identity and belonging
- To promote the idea of St Mary's Catholic Primary as a Learning Community
- To promote the image of the school within the local area and the village
- To promote equality by eliminating competition amongst children in relation to what they wear
- To ensure that the uniform is simple, smart and reasonably priced.

2.2 In order to help fulfil these aims extreme hairstyles would be considered unsuitable. Bleached and highlighted hair is discouraged/not permitted.

2.3 We ask all parents who send their children to our school to support the school uniform policy and make sure that every item is named.

3. ROLE OF CLASSTEACHERS AND SUPPORT STAFF

- Set a good example in terms of dress.
- Remember that in our respective roles we serve the local community as a set of professionals.
- To remind children to wear school uniform. The class teacher will speak to children who do not wear the correct uniform. If children continually attend school wearing clothing which is deemed not to be uniform they are to be referred to the Headteacher.

4. ROLE OF HEADTEACHER

- The Headteacher is to ensure that pupils comply with the uniform policy agreed by the governing body.
- The Headteacher has a duty to enforce the school uniform throughout the school community, as part of the duty within maintenance of day to day discipline in the school.

- The Headteacher will speak to the parents of children who persistently do not wear the correct uniform.
- The school will follow the DfE guidelines and not consider exclusion from the school where a pupil fails to comply with the school's rules on uniform.

5. ROLE OF THE PARENTS/GUARDIANS

- To ensure that their child/children adhere to the school's uniform policy.
- Ensure that they come to school in uniform everyday unless there are special circumstances such as non-uniform days.
- To ensure that all uniform is labeled correctly and clearly.

6. RECEPTION AND KEY STAGE 1 PUPILS

All children have equal access to wearing school uniform regardless of their culture, race, religion, gender, disability or ability. We ensure that the set uniform respects other policies such as Equalities and allows for individual sets of circumstances of all groups and individuals. St Mary's Catholic Primary School is committed to creating a positive climate that will enable everyone to work free from racial intimidation and harassment and to achieve their full potential.

7. SCHOOL UNIFORM

School uniform is compulsory and worn throughout the school with 'sewn on' name labels.

BOYS' UNIFORM	GIRLS' UNIFORM
Compulsory	
White shirt	White blouse
*Grey trousers or shorts	*Grey skirt or pinafore/or grey shorts or trousers.
Red school sweatshirt*	Red school sweatshirt/red school cardigan*
Grey socks	White socks or plain tights (black, red or grey)
Red striped tie*	Red striped tie*
Black school-type shoes	Black school-type shoes
PE - Red Shorts*	PE - Red Shorts*
PE - White polo shirt with school logo*or plain white T shirt	PE - White polo shirt with school logo*or plain white T shirt
PE - Black pumps (slip-on type for KS1)	PE -Black pumps (slip-on type for KS1)
Swimming costume and towel – KS2	Swimming costume and towel – KS2

*Trousers for both girls & boys should be appropriate for school. Slim fitting or tight trousers are not permitted or are trousers made of denim or other fashion fabrics

* available from Alcester NSC.

Please note – Forest Schools for KS1 Only:

Optional Uniform – to be worn only as specified	
Red School Reversible Fleece – girls and boys*	External wear, children still require school sweatshirts especially when representing school, visits etc.
Girls: Black Trousers – uniformity of style and colour is required, the style based on Banner’s Junior Bootleg Trousers (style 3621) available at Alcester Schoolwear	Only permitted from Winter half-term until Spring half term. Skirts and pinafores still required as above unless otherwise advised.
Girls: red and white checked dress with a belt of same material / small white belt	September to Winter half-term and Summer term only
Boys: white polo shirts*	September to Winter half-term and Summer term only
Football boots / trainers and red football socks	KS2 football only
Plain red or black track suit	KS2 only, can be worn on top of PE kit when cold

Children in FKS and KS1 will also need a waterproof jacket for Forest Schools. School does have a limited stock of waterproof trousers, but children would also be welcome to bring in waterproof trousers.

8. ART AND CRAFT

- 8.1 Pupils will be using a variety of materials for such work including paint, paste and clay. To protect clothing it is recommended pupils keep an overall of some kind in school; an old shirt with the sleeves cut down is ideal.

9. HAIR STYLE & JEWELLERY

Inappropriate hairstyles are strongly discouraged. Hair styles should be kept simple. * Long hair (both boys & girls) should be tied back. Only white/red/black hairbands/scrunchies allowed. Coloured and highlighted hair in either boys or girls is not permitted. ‘Tramlines’, other forms of shaved patterning and shaved heads are considered totally inappropriate.

* Long hair would be classified as shoulder length.

- 9.1 We do not allow headwear to be worn during class time or inside school buildings except for religious or medical reasons.
- 9.2 Pupils are not allowed to wear jewellery or nail varnish in school. Earrings should only be the stud type. Hoops and rings are not permitted as they constitute a Health and Safety risk. These should only be worn at home.

10. LABELS

All clothing must be clearly and indelibly marked with the child's name and put in a labelled drawstring pump bag. Name labels should be of the 'sewn on' variety. All uniform must be ordered from Alcester NSC, 3/4 Bulls Head Yard, Alcester, Warwickshire, B94 5BX. It is optional to purchase red shorts, reversible jackets, pump bags, book bags and baseball hats for sun protection from Alcester NSC. All other uniform may be purchased from the clothing store of your choice, providing it conforms to 'school wear' as opposed to 'fashion wear.' Name labels, including shoe labels, can be purchased via the school office. If you are awaiting sewn on labels, it is important that your child's uniform is marked by pen in the interim.

11. ORDERING SCHOOL UNIFORM

- 11.1 School sweatshirts, cardigans, ties and polo shirts are only available from our stockiest, Alcester NSC, 3-4 Bulls Head Yard, Alcester, Warwickshire, B49 5BX, www.alcesterpsc.co.uk. They also stock additional merchandise for sale such as reading book bags and summer hats embroidered with the school logo if parents wished to purchase.