

St Patrick's Catholic Primary School



School Uniform Policy

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Aims

Through this policy we aim to ensure that within our school we wish to promote an atmosphere which encourages effort, enjoyment and a celebration of the achievements of all our pupils. The schools concern for these high standards is also reflected in the pride we take in our school uniform and feeling of belonging it creates.

We believe that school uniform prevents the inevitable loss of self esteem caused to individual children should a family not be able or willing to provide the newest, most expensive or fashionable clothing and equipment.

In order to maintain a strong sense of identity and belonging within our school, we ask all parents who send their children to St Patrick's Catholic Primary School to adhere to the School Uniform Policy. We require pupils to wear school uniform which consists of:

Winter Uniform for Girls	Winter Uniform for Boys
Navy school blazer with school badge * (optional) Plain navy or black outdoor coat (no logos, fur or leather) Navy skirt, tunic or trousers White long-sleeved blouse/shirt (not a polo shirt) School Tie * V-Neck navy jumper or cardigan (plain) White or navy socks White or navy thick tights Plain black school shoes Plain navy or black winter hat, scarf and gloves	Navy school blazer with school badge * (optional) Plain navy or black outdoor coat (no logos, fur or leather) Dark grey trousers White long-sleeved shirt (not a polo shirt) School Tie* V-Neck navy jumper (plain) Grey socks Plain black school shoes Plain navy or black winter hat, scarf and gloves
Summer Uniform for Girls	Summer Uniform for Boys
Navy school blazer with school badge * (optional) Green and white check dress Navy skirt, tunic or trousers White short-sleeved blouse/shirt (not a polo shirt) School Tie * V-Neck jumper or cardigan (plain) Plain black or navy shoes/sandals (not open toe) White ankle or knee length socks Navy or Green school Summer hat (optional)	Navy school blazer with school badge * (optional) Dark grey trousers Dark grey school shorts White short-sleeved shirt (not a polo shirt) School Tie * V-Neck navy jumper Plain black or navy shoes or sandals (no open toe) Grey socks Navy or Green school Summer hat (optional)

Clothing for P.E. and Games

Navy Shorts
Green School T Shirt*
Black Plimsolls (or Trainers in KS2)
Draw string School kit bag*
School Sweatshirt*
School jogging bottoms*

*Items marked with an asterisk are only obtainable from Victoria 2 School Uniform Shop, 246 Hoe Street, Walthamstow, E17 3AX

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

SKIRTS

Skirt length should be appropriate for primary aged children. If in doubt, please see the Deputy Headteacher who will be able to make this judgement and her decision will be final.

P.E. KIT

It is essential that every child wears a complete change of clothing for P.E. on the day of their P.E. lessons to enable freedom of movement and to minimise the risk of catching a cold. Although the P.E. kit of shorts and T-shirt is adequate during the summer months, the school sweatshirt and green jogging bottoms with elasticated ankles are recommended in the winter.

Children taking part in swimming lessons will be given details of the appropriate swimwear before lessons commence. The swimming coaches do not permit children to wear bikinis or beach shorts in the pool. All children must wear a swimming cap.

HAIR

Hairstyles should be neat and tidy with hair longer than collar length clipped, plaited or tied back throughout the school day. Hairstyles should be age appropriate and suitable for the primary school setting. This applies to both boys and girls. Parents will be contacted and we will expect that the hairstyle meets the expectation of the school policy.

HAIR ORNAMENTS

Beads in the hair are inappropriate as they may cause injury.

If girls wish to wear hair ornaments, scrunchies, bows or hair slides they should be in any combination of the school colours – green, white, gold or navy.

JEWELLERY

If your child has pierced ears, one small plain stud in silver or gold is permitted in each ear. No other colour ear-rings should be worn. Hoop or drop ear rings are not permitted for safety reasons. Children may wear a crucifix but this is to be removed for P.E. lessons. No other jewellery is permitted. *(please note that the school will be unable to take any responsibility for jewellery that is lost)*

WATCHES

Watches may be worn at school, but must be removed before P.E. lessons. *(please note that the school will be unable to take any responsibility for watches that are lost)*

MAKE UP

No make up to be worn at school, and no nail polish to be worn on fingers or toes.

BAGS

Children in the Foundation Stage and Key Stage 1 should be provided with the school book bag. Children in Key Stage 2 should be provided with a KS2 school rucksack or a book bag. Both bags are available from Victoria 2 School Uniform Shop.

FOOTWEAR

It is generally agreed that shoes with sport logos on them are “trainer shoes”. These shoes are not permitted for school wear. Boots are not permitted for the child to wear during the school day. Should the child need to wear boots on the way to school, they must change and wear the expected footwear when entering the building. However, in Key Stage 2 “trainers are permitted for P.E. only as they provide greater support for feet and ankles.

LABELLING

Please ensure that ALL clothing, footwear and bags is clearly marked with your child's name as the school accepts no responsibility for loss or damage.

MOBILE PHONES

Mobile phones may be allowed only for the children who go home alone. The permission will be granted by the Headteacher upon the written request from parents. The phones must be switched off or put on silent and may not be used or accessed during the school day. In the event of failure to follow the above expectations, the Headteacher may withdraw permission to bring a mobile phone to school. *(The school accepts NO responsibility for any loss or damage to the phones).*

SUN PROTECTION

As the school cannot accept responsibility for protecting children against the sun, parents are advised to take adequate precautions. On hot and sunny days, it is recommended that parents apply sun protection cream/lotion to their children before school. Sun protection cream/lotion may be stored in school for children to re-apply at lunchtime if necessary. Creams/lotions must be clearly labelled with your child's name and class.

ROLE OF PARENTS

We ask all parents who send their children to St Patrick's Catholic Primary School to adhere to the School Uniform Policy. We require parents to send their children to school correctly dressed and ready for their daily school work. One of the responsibilities of parents is to ensure that their child has the correct uniform and that it is clean and in good repair. All items of uniform must be clearly labelled with your child's name. If a child is found not to be adhering to the School Uniform Policy, parents will be sent a reminder letter. Consistent failure to comply with the school uniform policy will result in parents being asked to meet the senior school leaders to discuss it.

ROLE OF GOVERNORS

The governing body sets the policy and supports the Headteacher in implementing the school uniform policy. From time to time it considers representations from parents regarding the 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 meets all regulations concerning equal opportunities. Governors ensure that the school uniform policy helps children to dress sensibly, in clothing that is hardwearing, safe and practical.

LOST PROPERTY

The Lost Property bin is situated in the entrance door in the Reception play area and it is cleared meticulously at the end of each half term. Items remaining unclaimed at this time will be disposed of to a local charity.

WINTER/SUMMER HATS

In winter, navy blue or black hats, scarves and gloves may be worn. These must be plain and not have any designs or logos on them. Navy hats and scarves can be bought from Victoria 2 School Uniform Shop. Previously sold traditional green and gold striped hats may continue to be worn

In summer, navy or green summer hats may be worn. These must also be plain. Summer hats are available to buy from Victoria 2 School Uniform Shop.

Parents will be sent a text if their child/ren come to school in the wrong uniform. If children persistently come to school in the wrong uniform, parents will be contacted by the Headteacher and asked to attend a meeting.

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Date: _____

Dear Parents/Carers,

We are sorry to inform you that your childin class did not wear the correct school uniform today. Details are outlined in the box below.

Uniform item(s):

The Governing Board have agreed the school's uniform policy and it a requirement that all children attending St Patrick's Catholic Primary School wear it every day.

If you cannot afford to purchase some uniform items, please speak to the school office. Your query will be treated with sensitivity and kept confidential.