



Uniform Policy

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St. Patrick's School Uniform Policy

Introduction

The Governors of St. Patrick's agree with the Department for Education and Skills in believing that

"uniform plays a valuable role in contributing to the ethos of the school and setting an appropriate tone. Uniform can instil pride; support positive behaviour and discipline; encourage identity with, and support for, school ethos; ensure pupils of all races and backgrounds feel welcome; protect children from social pressures to dress in a particular way; and nurture cohesion and promote good relations between different groups of pupils."

All pupils are expected to wear the school uniform correctly at all times and each item of clothing (including PE Kits and shoes) must bear the pupil's name.

While the Governing Body has been responsible for establishing the policy, the Headteacher must ensure it is complied with. Any comments or complaints about the policy should be raised with the Governing Body.

Governors have endeavoured to ensure that uniform is

SMART EASILY AVAILABLE REASONABLY PRICED

Uniform is as follows:

Light blue polo shirt

Navy sweatshirt, V neck jumper or cardigan

Navy knee length skirt or school style black, grey or navy trousers

Plain socks/tights

Plain sensible black shoes (no trainers, boots, plimsolls, sandals or shoes with heels)

In the summer, pupils may wear a checked blue and white dress with plain socks and sensible black shoes

Shirts must be tucked in at all times.

Pupils are expected to have a suitable bag to carry books and letters to and from school.

Stockists

Items are readily available in large supermarkets at a very reasonable cost as well as in other clothing outlets.

However, if parents wish, they may order polo shirts, sweatshirts, coats and bags bearing the school logo.

Sweatshirts and polo shirts bearing the school logo can be purchased in two ways:

- Via Moette custom clothing - log on to www.moette.co.uk and select 'Schools' and 'Primary Schools' from the menu. Select the St. Patrick's Primary School logo to order and pay for your selected items.
- You may also order embroidered uniform from My Clothing <https://myclothing.com/> and entering the school's postcode - DH7 8JJ.

Jewellery, Make up and Hair

Hair should be tidy for school and long hair should be tied back.

No earrings or jewellery may be worn by any pupil. (Requests in particular circumstances will be considered.)

A wrist watch may be worn.

No make up or nail varnish.

Pupils are not allowed to have extreme hairstyles and dyed hair which can cause a distraction in school including closely shaved heads and shaved patterns in hair.

P.E.

For P.E. all pupils must have the following in school at all times:

Indoor Kit

Plain white polo shirt

Plain navy shorts

Black plimsolls

Outdoor Kit

In addition to the above

White socks

White trainers

Plain, dark tracksuit bottoms

In cold weather, pupils may wear their school sweatshirt, *so if they do not have one, it will be necessary to provide a plain sweatshirt in their outdoor kit.*

Swimming Kit

Pupils must be equipped with the following for swimming lessons:

One-piece costume/trunks (no Bermuda shorts or bikinis)

Swimming cap

Towel

Please note

Parents will be notified in the first instance if a child is found to not be in possession of the correct uniform.

Pupils who fail to wear uniform correctly will be dealt with according to the school's Behaviour Policy, which is a reminder, if necessary a warning and finally a sanction would be imposed.

Where assistance in the provision of a school uniform is required, please contact the school office or the Head Teacher.

The Head Teacher's decision on the suitability of items will be final.