



Rationale

School uniform plays a valuable role in contributing to the ethos of a school and setting an appropriate tone that supports effective teaching and learning. It instils pride, supports positive behaviour and encourages a sense of belonging, both in school and also outside, when children are ambassadors for St. John's. It ensures children are not worried about wearing or not wearing 'fashionable clothes' and allows all backgrounds and races to feel welcomed. Wearing of a school uniform is strongly encouraged by the DFE.

All pupils are expected to wear school uniform from the selection below:

- Light blue polo shirt (with or without the St. John's logo)
- Dark blue sweatshirt with St. John's logo on left breast, or navy blue cardigan with St. John's logo on left breast
- Grey school trousers or shorts
- Grey school skirt or pinafore dress
- Blue gingham dress in the summer
- Navy blue, black or white Hijab or other head covering worn for religious reasons
- Sensible, enclosed dark shoes or trainers
- Grey, black or white plain socks, or navy blue tights or leggings
- Children may also wish to wear the school navy blue fleece with the St. John's logo, but other coats are acceptable for outside wear
- Year 6 pupils are expected to wear the School Council hooded top
- PE and Games :
 - Plain white T-shirt
 - Navy blue shorts (not Bermuda, skate or ¾ length shorts)
 - Plimsolls or trainers for EYFS and Year 1/2 pupils, trainers for Years 3-6 pupils
 - Navy tracksuit or leggings for pupils in Years 3-6 only
 - KS2 pupils who have swimming lessons at school will require a one piece swimming costume, or close fitting shorts or trunks
- Jewellery – Only ear studs are allowed for health and safety reasons; no other jewellery should be worn except for religious reasons.
- No make-up or nail varnish should be worn in school and any hair accessories should be plain and functional

St. John's Primary School also recommends that all children wear reflective or high visibility items when they are travelling to and from school. This is particularly important during the winter months and for those who travel by scooter or bike.

Parents are asked to ensure **all** items of school clothing are clearly labelled with their child's name.

The school reserves the right to take disciplinary action in the event of non-compliance.

In writing this policy, the governors have ensured that the majority of items are standard and available from a variety of retailers at a very low cost. The St. John's specific items are available from Famous School Branches, either through their website or their shop in Henleaze. We have also complied with the Equalities Act 2010.

Any parents who feel they are unable to purchase a school uniform for financial reasons should speak with the Headteacher.