

Sacred Heart Primary School Uniform Policy

The governors of Sacred Heart Primary School support the wearing of a school uniform in order to help fulfil the aims of the school, in particular those listed below:

- To be a Catholic community recognised by our love of God and of our neighbour
- To value and respect ourselves and all others.

We believe wearing a uniform:

- Promotes equality of opportunity for all pupils, social cohesion amongst pupils and protection from social pressure to dress in a particular way.
- Helps give the pupils of the school a sense of identity, belonging and positive self image
- Gives the school a well respected profile and supports its Catholic, Christian ethos
- Creates a culture of high expectations and high achievement within the school;

POLICY STATEMENTS

- All students are required to wear full school uniform.
- The uniform is designed to be acceptable to students, parents and staff and to be suitable (in terms of safety and comfort) for the range of activities pupils enjoy at school.
- The uniform list is published on the school website and in information sent out to new parents. Reminders about the uniform details are sent out to all students at least once a year. Items are priced competitively and the overall cost of the school uniform is kept low.
- Requests to vary the uniform to meet the needs of individual pupils, e.g. for medical reasons, will be carefully considered.

However, in adopting this policy the governors have taken all possible steps to ensure that it is fair and reasonable, is non-discriminatory and acceptable to the majority. It would not be practical or productive to vary the rules except in the most compelling of circumstances.

MONITORING

All staff are involved in monitoring the standard of school uniform. If a pupil is not adhering to the uniform policy, the school will in the first instance discreetly try to establish whether there are good reasons for it and take measures to address the problem.

Parents will be contacted when students are failing to keep to the uniform code without adequate explanation.

The uniform does extend to **sensible headwear and hair styles.** The more elaborate fashion braids/multi-coloured beading, shaved patterns, scarves and fashion clips are not always appropriate and parents/carers are asked to be sensible in the choice of these for their child.

The current School Uniform is as follows:

Girls:

- Maroon Pullover/Cardigan with school logo
- White Blouse (KS2)
- White Polo Shirt (FS & KS1)
- School Tie for Key Stage 2 children only
- **Grey** skirt or pinafore dress
- **Grey** trousers
- Yellow and white checked cotton dress during the summer months
- Sensible black school shoes (no trainers or high heels)
- White, grey, black or burgundy socks or tights
- Hair accessories should preferably be in the school colours of yellow/burgundy/white or black.
- A P.E. kit of burgundy shorts and white tee-shirt. A black tracksuit can be worn in winter.

Boys:

- Maroon Pullover with school logo
- White Shirt (KS2)
- White Polo Shirt (FS & KS1)
- School Tie for Key Stage 2 children only
- **Grey** trousers or shorts
- Sensible black school shoes (no trainers)
- A P.E. kit of burgundy shorts and white tee-shirt. A plain black tracksuit can be worn in winter.

Black trousers or skirts are <u>not</u> part of the official school uniform. School skirts should be of an appropriate length.

Please note:

- Extreme haircuts are not allowed under any circumstances.
- Hair dyes or streaks are not permitted.
- Hair accessories should be simple and discreet.
- Make up is not allowed to be worn in school
- Nail polish is not allowed to be worn in school.
- Only small stud earrings (one per ear) to be worn in the lobe of the ear.
- No body or face piercings.
- For health and safety reasons children are not allowed to wear jewellery to school. Children are allowed to wear a wristwatch. Where ears are already pierced, earrings **must** be removed for P.E. lessons.
- In the summer months after Easter the Key Stage 2 children may wear a white polo shirt instead of a shirt/blouse and tie.

We are grateful for the way parents support us by sending their children to school dressed in the appropriate school uniform.

Some of the uniform is available from the chain stores, but jumpers, cardigans, school bags and P.E. shorts may be purchased from JS Sports 22 Neville Road Luton . Please ensure **all** clothing is clearly labelled with your child's name.

For Government guidelines on school uniform see https://www.gov.uk/school-uniform