St Winifred's Catholic Primary School

Policy on Uniform

At St. Winifred's, we expect all children (except those attending Nursery) to wear school uniform.

Aims and objectives

Our policy is based on the notion that a school uniform:

- promotes a sense of pride in the school;
- engenders a feeling of community and belonging;
- is practical and smart;
- identifies the children with the school;
- is not distracting in class (as fashion clothes might be);
- makes children feel equal to their peers in terms of appearance;
- is regarded as suitable, and good value for money, by most parents;
- has been designed with health and safety in mind.

Uniform can be purchased from a range of high street stores or on line. We have also arranged for our uniform (with optional logo) to be available on the 'School Trends' website, link below:

https://www.schooltrendsonline.com/uniform/StWinifredsCatholicPrimarySchoolSE120SJ

Ties and bags are available for purchase in the school office.

Winter:

Grey skirt, pinafore dress or trousers

White shirt with school tie

Maroon/grey cardigan or jumper

White or grey socks

Grey, black or maroon tights

Black school shoes or plain black trainers

Summer:

White school shirt with tie

Grey knee length shorts
Maroon and white or pink and white striped/checked dress
Maroon/grey jumper or cardigan
Grey or white socks
Black school shoes or plain black trainers
Open toed sandals are not allowed

or winter uniform

Hooded sweat tops cannot be worn instead of school jumpers or cardigans.

Plain black boots can be worn in extreme winter weather.

P.E. Uniform

Plain white T-shirt Plain shorts in plain black or navy blue Black trainers or plimsolls – not 'boot' type trainers.

Optional for cold weather:

Plain black or navy blue tracksuit.

Shoe bags with the school logo are available to purchase from the school office. Please note that football kits, shirts etc. are not acceptable clothing for PE.

School Bags

PE bags, book bags and shoulder bags can be purchased from the school office. Other types of bags or rucksacks, not including lunch boxes, must not be brought to school as we do not have anywhere to store these and they are a health and safety hazard.

Swimming

Swimming trunks of the appropriate size (not Bermuda shorts) One-piece swimming costume of the appropriate size

Swimming caps are optional

Marking Clothing

All articles of clothing must be clearly marked with the child's name.

Hair

The school does not permit children to have haircuts that could serve as a distraction to other children. Please support us by following school policy when taking your child for a haircut.

Children must not have hairstyles which are extreme. This includes hairstyles where the sides are much shorter than the top or areas are shaved.

Lines or patterns shaved into the hair are not permitted.

Top knots and dyed hair are also not allowed.

All long hair must be tied back.

Any hair accessories should be plain and not of extreme colour or design.

Shaved patterns or lines in eye brows are not allowed.

Jewellery

Jewellery such as bracelets, rings, necklaces and chains must not be worn. Small, plain stud earrings may currently be worn at parents' risk —diamond, hoop or drop-type earrings are not allowed. Wrist watches may be worn but removed for P.E., dance and games, again at parents' risk.

Nails

Nail varnish must not be worn in school. False nails are not allowed.

OTHER

Fake tattoos and transfers are not permitted.

The role of parents and carers

We ask all parents and carers to support us in this school uniform policy by sending their child to school correctly dressed and ready for their daily schoolwork.

St. Winifred's is an inclusive school community. If there are genuine reasons why parents or carers want their child to wear clothes that differ from the school uniform, the school will look sympathetically at such requests. Similarly, should an item of school uniform prove problematic for a pupil with disabilities then parents or carers are invited to draw this to the attention of the head teacher. We will ensure that we work with parents and carers to meet individual needs as far as possible.

We will also support any families who are in need, by providing items of uniform.

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