St William of York Catholic Primary School



Uniform Policy

Signed_____ Chair of Governors

_____Head Teacher

Date: 23rd November 2023

Review date: November 2025

Aims and objectives

Our policy on school uniform is based on the belief that school uniform;

- promotes a sense of pride in our school;
- helps to create a sense of community and belonging towards the school;
- identifies the children with the school;
- supports our commitment to inclusion;
- prevents children from wearing 'fashion clothes' that could be distracting in class;
- is practical, smart and designed with health and safety in mind;
- is considered good value for money by most parents;

Expectations

We expect all pupils to comply with this uniform policy, which will be monitored. Any pupil who falls short of these requirements will be advised of this fact by their class teacher/headteacher and given the opportunity to improve. Parents will be contacted if there is no improvement. Parents who are struggling financially to replace or purchase uniform can speak to Mrs. Middlehurst in the school office or any member of staff & school will consider what support can be provided.

Role of Parents

We believe that one of the responsibilities of parents is to ensure that their child has the correct uniform and PE kit, and that it is clean, in good repair and that the child's name is written on all items.

The Role of Governors

The governing body supports the Headteacher in implementing the School Uniform Policy. It considers all 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 enables children to dress sensibly, in clothing that is hardwearing, safe and practical.

Where to buy School uniform

Branded Jumper/cardigans (sweatshirts for Reception & Nursery) & school ties can be purchased from;

Monkhouse Schoolwear 80 Coronation Road Crosby Liverpool L23 5RH Tel. 0151 924 0975

Primadonna 48 Carr Meadow Hey Netherton L30 2NZ Tel. 0151 378 6225

Our branded uniform suppliers also sell all other clothing items of our uniform but these can also be purchased at high street stores.

Nursery & Reception

Winter Uniform – Autumn and Spring Terms

- Purple sweatshirt (Branded)
- Purple joggers
- White polo
- Black trainers, pumps or shoes (no laces)
- Black socks

Optional Summer uniform from Easter onwards

- Purple Shorts
- White polo or t-shirt
- Black trainers or pumps
- Black socks

Year 1 to Year 6

Winter Uniform – Autumn and Spring Terms

- Purple jumper or cardigan (Branded)
- Dark grey long trousers
- Dark grey skirt or pinafore
- White shirt long or short sleeved
- School tie
- Dark grey socks or tights
- Black shoes

Optional Summer Uniform from Easter onwards

- Grey shorts
- Purple checked dress
- Black shoes
- Dark grey or white socks

P.E. Kit

- Purple shorts
- White t-shirt with or without school name
- For winter months black leggings or joggers
- Black rubber soled pumps/trainers
- Drawstring pump bag school branded or any

Hair, jewellery and accessories

- No jewellery allowed except for a watch and only small, plain studs if children have pierced ears.
- Watches to be analogue or digital. No smart watches.
- Hair accessories to be kept to a discreet minimum and in purple large bows or headbands with decorative pieces are not allowed.
- Dyed hair or shaved tramlines are not allowed.

• Nail varnish, false nails or make up should not be worn for school.

Other items

- School Bags There is no reason for children to bring large bags into school. There is a
 great shortage of space in the cloakrooms and large bags exacerbate the problem. Lunch
 boxes can be used and stored on shelves or boxes in class. Optional bookbags can be
 purchased from the school office.
- PE Bags A drawstring bag can be used for PE kits. Optional school PE bags can be purchased from the school office.
- Children need a coat for school suitable for the weather. Optional school coats are available at our uniform suppliers.

Pre-loved Uniform

We encourage parents to pass pre-loved uniform that children have grown out of or no longer need into school. We have a pre-loved uniform table in the foyer by the school office for parents to help themselves to as needed.

Support for low income families

We use part of our Pupil Premium allocation to provide a uniform voucher in July each year for children in Reception class to Year 5 who are eligible for Free School Meals. This offer is reviewed annually. We also try to support any individual requests from parents with financial difficulties and who are struggling to purchase uniform.

Monitoring and Review

The governing body monitors and reviews the school uniform policy by:

- seeking the views of parents, to ensure that the majority agree with and support the policy;
- considering, with the Headteacher, any requests from parents for individual children to have special dispensation with regard to school uniform. This may include religious reasons.