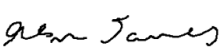


Sacred Heart Catholic Voluntary Academy

St Thomas Aquinas Catholic Multi-Academy Trust



School Uniform Policy

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School Uniform Policy

Principles

It is our policy that all children should wear clothing that is in keeping with a purposeful learning ethos. We also believe it is important that certain activities are facilitated by specialised and appropriate clothing when attending school, or when participating in a school-organised event outside normal school hours. We provide a complete list of the items needed for children's school uniform in this policy and in our school prospectus.

Aims

Our policy for children's school uniform is based on the belief 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.
- makes children feel equal to their peers in terms of appearance
- is regarded as suitable.
- has been designed with health and safety in mind.

Our colours are black and white, and the uniform is as follows:

Any combination of:

- School black sweatshirt (school logo optional)
- School white polo shirt (school logo optional) or white shirt with school tie
- School black book bag with school logo
- Black trousers or black shorts
- Black shoes or black trainers
- School black sweat cardigan (school logo optional)
- Black skirt or pinafore dress
- Red gingham dresses may be worn in the summer term

For PE all children need

- School black t-shirt (school logo optional)
- School black or red gym bag (school logo optional)
- School black or black PE shorts
- Black trainers or black plimsolls
- For PE lessons- if it's cold, black joggers may also be worn

Optional items

- School black fleece with school logo

- School black cap with school logo
- School black shower proof jacket with logo
- School black backpack with school logo
- Socks and tights should be white or black. Hair bobbles/bands etc. should also be red or black.



Summer uniform:



PE Kit

Children should bring their PE kit to school and leave it on their peg for the week. Please do not send children to school in designer or fashion-branded PE kits.



We kindly request that your child's name is clearly visible on all items of clothing or school wear.

Jewellery

For health, safety, and security reasons, jewellery should not be worn in school.

- Children with pierced ears may wear plain gold or silver studs or small hoops.
- For PE lessons, earrings must be removed by the child or covered with tape applied by a parent before school.
- Staff are unable to remove or tape earrings for children.

Children wearing jewellery that is considered unsafe or inappropriate may be asked to remove it.

Religious Jewellery

We recognise that some children may wear jewellery for religious reasons.

- If the jewellery can be safely removed, children will be asked to remove it during school activities where necessary for health and safety reasons.
- If the jewellery cannot be removed, it should be securely covered or taped to minimise the risk of injury. If it is not taped coming into school, staff will be required to do tape it securely before children take part in PE lessons.
- If you would like the school to consider an exception for religious reasons, please contact us and we will review your request.

Watches

Children may wear a watch to help them learn to tell the time. However, if a watch becomes a distraction to learning, a member of staff may ask the child to remove it and keep it safe until the end of the day.

Hair

For safety and practical reasons, we recommend that long hair is tied back while in school.

Expectations

Children will be reminded of the uniform requirements if needed. Where there are ongoing concerns about uniform, parents or carers may be contacted to ensure compliance with the policy.

This uniform policy has the full support of the Governing Body.