# St. Theresa's Catholic Primary School



## **School Uniform Policy**

"We learn together, we play together, we pray together, we grow together in the love of God"



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#### 1. Statement of Intent

It is a St Theresa's Catholic Primary School policy that all children wear school uniform with the St Theresa's crest 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 school uniform in our list in this policy.

#### 2. Aims and Objectives

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

- Promotes a sense of pride in the school.
- Engenders a sense of community and belonging towards the school.
- Is practical and smart.
- Identifies the children with the school.
- Prevents children from coming to school in fashion clothes that could be distracting in class.
- Makes children feel equal to their peers in terms of appearance.
- Is regarded as suitable wear to school and good value for money by most parents.
- Is designed with health and safety in mind.
- Encourages good self-discipline.
- Teaches children value of self-expression without depending on clothes or things being owned.

#### 3. Jewellery

On health and safety grounds the only items of jewellery we allow children to wear in our school are small stud earrings and watches. If children arrive in school wearing unacceptable items of jewellery the child will be asked to remove them and hand them to the class teacher and they will be returned at the end of the day. A letter will then be sent to parents/carers outlining the school policy.

#### 4. Extreme Haircuts

Hair should be neat and tidy and be tied up at all times. Children with hair length which falls below the shoulders must have it tied up at all times with a black, brown, red or blue plain band. Large hair accessories are not permitted.

The school does not permit children to have 'extreme' haircuts that could serve as a distraction to other children. This includes the shaving of letters, logos or names into child's hair, Mohicans, steps/undercuts or coloured hair.

If children arrive in school will such haircuts, then a letter will be sent home outlining the school policy and the parents/carers will be asked to rectify the child's haircut.

#### 5. Footwear

The school wants all children to grow into healthy adults. We believe that it is dangerous for children to wear shoes that have platform soles, ballet pumps, high heels, or stiletto heels, so we do not allow children to wear such shoes in our school. Neither do we allow children to wear trainers to school unless it is their P.E day; this is because we think that this footwear is appropriate for sport or for leisurewear, but is not in keeping with the smart appearance of a school uniform. We require all children to wear **black shoes with laces or a fastening strap**. Children should not wear boots in school.

#### 6. Make Up

No makeup, nail varnish on fingers or toes or temporary tattoos should be worn.

#### 7. Equal Opportunities

All children have equal access to wearing school uniform regardless of their culture, race, religion, gender, ability.

#### 8. The Role of Parents

We ask all parents who send their children to our school to support the school uniform policy. We believe that parents have a duty to send their children to school correctly dressed and ready for their daily schoolwork. One of the responsibilities of parents is to ensure that their child has the correct uniform, and that it is clean and in good repair.

If any parent would like the school to modify the uniform policy, they should make representation, in the first instance, to the Headteacher.

#### 9. The Role of Governors

The governing body supports the Headteacher in implementing the school uniform policy. It considers all representations from parents regarding the St Theresa's 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 helps children to dress sensibly, in clothing that is hardwearing, safe and practical.

Governors accept that, even though the school is able to provide uniform at a reasonable cost, some parents may find the purchasing of uniform difficult. If parents are unable, because of financial hardship, to provide the St Theresa's school uniform for their children, then they should discuss this with the Headteacher who may be able to offer some donated uniform or financial support from school funds.

#### 10. Review

Reviewed January 2022 To be reviewed January 2024

#### School Uniform List

Winter Uniform – Autumn mid Term to end of Spring Term						
Boys	Girls					
<ul> <li>White shirt and navy &amp; red striped school tie Navy blazer (optional)</li> <li>Grey trousers (long or short)</li> <li>Navy-blue V-neck pullover with crest</li> <li>Grey socks</li> <li>Black shoes</li> <li>Navy raincoat or navy anorak</li> <li>Navy woollen hat with school crest</li> <li>Navy scarf &amp; gloves Navy Fleece with school crest</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>White blouse and navy &amp; red striped school tie</li> <li>Navy blazer (optional)</li> <li>Navy pinafore dress/skirt</li> <li>Navy trousers</li> <li>Navy cardigan with school crest or V-neck pullover with crest</li> <li>Long white/navy socks /navy tights</li> <li>Black Shoes</li> <li>Navy raincoat or navy anorak</li> <li>Navy woollen hat with school crest</li> <li>Navy scarf &amp; gloves</li> <li>Navy fleece with school crest</li> </ul>					
Summer Uniform – Summer Term to Autumn m	nid term					
Boys	Girls					
<ul> <li>White polo shirt with school crest</li> <li>Grey trousers (long or short) – optional</li> <li>Navy-blue V-neck pullover with crest</li> <li>Grey socks Black shoes</li> <li>Sun cap with school crest</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Summer dress</li> <li>Navy-blue V-neck pullover with crest</li> <li>Grey trousers (long or short) – optional</li> <li>White or navy socks</li> <li>Black shoes Sun cap with school crest</li> </ul>					

Information for parents regarding buying the school uniform is available at the school office.

#### School Uniform P.E. Kit

Outdoor PE – Boys & Girls	Indoor PE – Boys & Girls		
<ul> <li>White round neck t shirt with school crest or plain white round t shirt</li> <li>Round neck sweat shirt with school crest</li> <li>Navy plain tracksuit bottoms in cold weather</li> <li>Navy shorts in warm weather Trainers</li> </ul>	crest or plain white round t shirt <ul><li>Navy shorts</li></ul>		

All clothing and equipment brought into school must be labelled. This includes all school and P.E. wear, coats, navy accessories and shoes.

#### Swimming costumes (Years 4-6):

Boys	Girls
<ul><li>Swimming trunks/ Speedos (No shorts)</li><li>Swimming hat</li></ul>	<ul><li>One-piece costume</li><li>No bikinis</li><li>Swimming hat</li></ul>

#### Appendix ii

#### **Letters to Parents**

Dear Parent/Carer,

Your child came to school today without the correct uniform. This is marked below on our official uniform list.

#### KS1&2 Winter

Boys		Girls						
White shirt			White blouse					
Long grey trousers			Navy blue tunic or trousers					
Navy blue v neck jumper			Navy blue cardigan					
School tie			School tie					
Black shoes (not trainers)			Black shoes (not patent, not trainers	) 🗆				
Grey socks			White socks or navy blue tights					
KS1&2 Summer								
Boys			Girls					
White short sleeve shirt with	tie or		Navy blue check dress					
White polo shirt			Navy blue cardigan					
Short trousers			Navy blue blazer (optional)					
Navy blue v neck jumper			Black shoes					
Grey socks			White socks					
Black shoes			School fleece (optional)					
School fleece (optional)								
PE Kit White t-shirt with school logo □ Navy blue shorts □ Navy blue school tracksuit □								
All children Navy blue coat	□ Na	ıvy blue	hat (with school logo) $\ \Box$					
Gloves (winter) $\square$ Navy blue Scarf (Winter) $\square$								
St. Theresa's school book bag / rucksack (with school logo) $\ \square$								

