



St John Fisher Catholic Voluntary Academy

St Thomas Aquinas Catholic Multi-Academy Trust



Uniform Policy

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Policy

Introduction

At St John Fisher Catholic Voluntary Academy, our mission is 'Aim High, work hard, be kind'.

We aim to achieve our mission by being inclusive, maintaining a safe and stimulating learning environment, securing outstanding learning and teaching, delivering our agreed curriculum, following Gospel values and working with parents, carers and the wider community.

We believe at the Academy that our uniform policy both supports and strengthens what we aim to do in every aspect of Academy life.

The Governors and staff of St John Fisher Catholic Voluntary Academy believe that school uniform plays a valuable role in contributing to the ethos of our school and setting the appropriate tone. Governors and staff strongly believe that the wearing of our school uniform by all pupils:

- Instils pride in our school
- Supports positive behaviour and discipline
- Encourages identity with, and support for school ethos
- Ensures that pupils of all races and backgrounds feel welcome and included
- Protects children from social pressures to dress in a particular way
- Nurtures cohesion and promotes good relations between different groups of pupils
- Supports effective teaching and learning

Uniform

The school uniform will be worn by all pupils from Reception to Year 6 without exception.

Suppliers

V-neck sweatshirts and cardigans and P.E. shirts with the school logo can be purchased online at <https://www.mandsyourschooluniform.com/m-s-uniform/uniform-by-school/leicestershire-warwickshire/st-john-fisher-catholic-voluntary-academy/5637147654.c>

All other school items can be purchased from stores such as Asda, Aldi, M&S, Tesco and general school outfitters. Our policy is to ensure that parents have a choice of retailers to purchase different items from.

Our uniform consists of the following:

- Mid-grey trousers (summer option – grey shorts)
- Grey pinafore dress, skirt or trousers (summer options – grey/navy shorts or a light blue/white check dress)
- Light blue shirt
- School tie (navy/light blue stripe) – available for £5 from the School Office
- Navy v-necked knitted jumper with the school badge
- Navy cardigan or v-necked jumper with the school badge

- Black shoes (not boots/trainers) and dark socks
- Blue shirt (without puff sleeves) with standard collar
- School tie (navy/light blue stripe) – available for £5 from the School Office
- Plain grey socks or grey socks/tights
- Sensible flat black shoes (not boots/trainers)

Foundation Stage

Children in the Foundation classes will require wellington boots and a waterproof coat/ jacket which will need to be clearly named and remain in school.

P.E. Kit

We require our children to change for PE activities. P.E. kit should be brought into school on Monday mornings and only taken home to be washed if necessary on Fridays. This allows for last minute timetable changes and minimises the possibility of PE kit being left at home. Children need an appropriately labelled P.E kit in a suitable bag – these are available for £5 from the School Office.

All pupils need the following:

- Trainers
- White t-shirt
- Navy shorts or skirts
- Suitable socks
- Plain navy sweatshirt
- Plain navy jogging bottoms
- Plimsolls

As well as wearing school uniform pupils and parents at St John Fisher CVA are expected to abide by the following rules regarding appearance:

Footwear

Black flat shoes which fully enclose the child's foot and are fastened with Velcro or a buckle – sandals are not appropriate for health and safety reasons. Shoes with laces are acceptable in Key Stage 2, however children should be able to tie their laces independently.

Trainers are allowed as part of outdoor PE uniform only. Children will not be allowed to wear trainers during the school day.

Plimsolls are worn inside the school. They must be black.

Jewellery

In the interest of personal safety and security jewellery should not be worn in school.

If the child's ears are pierced, plain gold or silver studs may be worn but must be removed for P.E. classes. Children will not be permitted to wear other studs e.g. Nose studs. For safety reasons, children wearing inappropriate jewellery may be asked to remove it.

Watches

Watches may be worn by children in Key Stage 2 to help children learn to tell time and to help record fitness e.g. on the active mile. However, if they become a distraction, children may be asked to remove them.

Hair styles

- Hair should be one natural colour, no hair dye.
- The style should be appropriate for school; hair should not obstruct pupils' vision.
- Tramlines, patterns and sculpting is not appropriate for school.
- Novelty headwear should not be worn.
- Pupils with long hair must have this tied back.
- Hair bands and hair ties should be a simple maroon, gold or black band to match the school uniform and be of a reasonable size.
- Children wearing incorrect bows and decorations will be asked to remove them and will be provided with a band.

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 learning. If children attend school wearing the incorrect school uniform, they will be given a letter explaining what changes are required to be made.

Please note: It is essential that all items of clothing (including shoes and plimsolls) are clearly labelled with the pupil's name.

Lost property

While we actively encourage the naming and labelling of uniform items, in reality, this does not always happen and we are sometimes left with a cache of lost property comprising mainly of unnamed items, we will endeavour to do all to re-connect uniform with their owners but if this is not possible. Lost property after a period of time will be donated to our PTFA who will then sell on for school funds at much reduced rate. Likewise if we receive donations of used uniform, they will sold on at a reasonable rate.

