



# St Dunstan's RC Primary School Uniform Policy

We Journey With Jesus Beside Us

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### Rationale:

We believe that the wearing of school uniform promotes equality. It gives our pupils a shared identity and helps to promote a sense of pride in their school. St Dunstan's is an inclusive school and our school uniform is one of the ways we foster this. Our school uniform is intended to be practical and smart. In accepting a place at St Dunstan's you are agreeing to ensure that your child is wearing the correct uniform.

### Guidance from the DFE:

*It is for the governing body of a school to decide whether there should be a school uniform policy and if so what that should be. This flows from the duties placed upon all governing bodies by statute to ensure that school policies promote good behaviour and discipline amongst the pupil body. It is also for the governing body to decide how the uniform should be sourced. The Department strongly encourages schools to have a uniform as it can play a valuable role in contributing to the ethos of a school and setting an appropriate tone.*

It is our school policy that all children **must** wear school uniform when attending school or when participating in official school-organised events outside normal school hours. It is expected that children wear the school uniform each day, **with the appropriate footwear.**

### Non Compliance

- If a child does not wear the correct uniform, a verbal or written reminder of our expectations will be communicated to the parents/carers
- PE kit should be kept in school for and only taken home at the end of each half term for washing
- If a child does not have their PE kit in school, a letter is sent home to parents/carers
- Parents are asked to clearly label every item of school clothing with their child's name
- The children are responsible for taking care of their own items of uniform
- There are baskets for lost property located in the building. Any items left unclaimed are periodically disposed of
- If there is any reason why a child cannot wear our uniform or requires special dispensation (eg health or religious grounds) then the governors will consider sympathetically any such request from a parent/carer

**Please note that school also has the right to ask parents to take children home to remedy the breach of policy. This would be classed as an authorised absence.**

### Guidelines

#### Jewellery

- Children should not wear earrings to school, unless they are able to remove them and put them back in without assistance
- Pupils may wear plain gold or silver studs which are no bigger than 4mm
- A watch may be worn
- No other jewellery should be worn in school

- All jewellery is to be removed during PE to comply with health and safety regulations
- The school is not liable for any jewellery that is lost or stolen and teaching staff will not look after jewellery

#### Hair styles

- The school does not permit children to have ANY haircuts that could serve as a distraction to other children. This includes conspicuous markings eg tramlines and mohicans, or Mohican like styles
- No colours or styles which would be considered as extreme are allowed including extremely short haircuts
- We strongly advise that parents/carers check with school before they get their child's hair cut if they are unsure in anyway as staff are always happy to help

#### Footwear

- We believe that it is dangerous for children to wear shoes with platform soles or high heels in school so we do not allow this. Shoes must be suitable and secure enough for children to be able to run in them
- We do not allow children to wear trainers to school. These are appropriate for sport or as leisure wear but are not in keeping with the smart appearance of our school uniform
- Parents/carers should ensure that all children wear plain black shoes

#### In addition

- Make up and nail varnish are not allowed

## **School Uniform**

### **Girls**

- Royal blue V-neck knitted jumper or cardigan with school badge
- Blue shirt
- Blue and yellow elasticated tie
- Grey skirt or trousers
- White socks
- Black shoes

### **Boys**

- Royal blue V-neck knitted jumper with school badge
- Blue shirt
- Blue and yellow elasticated tie
- Grey trousers
- Grey socks
- Black shoes
- In the summer, girls may wear blue and white check summer dresses and boys may wear grey shorts
- Nursery and Reception children do not require a tie but do need to have Velcro only black shoes

### **PE Kit**

- White T-shirt and black shorts, trainers
- For outside activities when the weather is colder, black tracksuit top or sweatshirt, black jogging bottoms.
- All children will require a change of footwear for other outdoor activities. Wellies or old shoes which are still waterproof are recommended