

September 2021

School Uniform 21/22

Dear Parents, Guardians & Students,

Please note the following uniform requirements for the school year 2021/2022.

This letter should be read in association with our school Uniform Policy.

School uniform/s or clothes should be laundered regularly in line with usual good hygiene. If uniform/s or clothes are visibly dirty or soiled, they should be laundered.

In line with the guidelines issued by the DES, windows will be open in each classroom. For this reason, we are advising students to consider wearing garments underneath the school uniform e.g thermal clothing, vests and t-shirts.

Uniform Requirements 2021/2022

School Jumper

- School crested jumper must be worn at all times.
- Jumper must not be torn and should be in good condition.

School Shirt

- A white Shirt must be worn tucked inside skirt or pants.

School Pants

- Black school pants, these should not be torn or cut at the ankle seams.
- Flares, tracksuit bottoms or denim jeans are not acceptable as alternatives to the school pants.
- Socks must be black in colour

School Skirt

- Blue school tartan skirt must not be torn or cut at the seams.
- Pyjamas or leggings may not be worn under the school skirt.
- Socks/tights must be black in colour.

Shoes

- Flat black shoes or navy/brown deck shoes are recognised as appropriate school shoes.
- Runners are permitted, but they must fully black in colour, including the sole and branding.

Jackets

The roadmap for the reopening schools outlined several procedures that schools had to adopt and one of these is ensuring adequate ventilation for all classrooms. We have asked our staff and students to ensure that windows and doors in classrooms remain open to facilitate regular circulation of air in rooms.

As the weather gets colder and temperatures begin to drop there is still a need to ventilate rooms sufficiently. **Students will be allowed to wear their school jacket when they are in class.** If a student does not have a school jacket, they may wear a plain coloured jacket. The preference is a plain navy/black jacket but we appreciate that all students may not have a school jacket or plain navy/black jacket.

If a student chooses not to wear a school jacket it is also appropriate for students to wear layers under their uniforms (for example, skins, thermal vest, etc). In this way we hope that students are comfortable in school and that we continue to minimise the risk of exposure to infection for all our school community.

Please note that Hoodies are not permitted as an alternative to a school jacket and should not be worn to school.

PE Uniform

If a student has a scheduled PE class or has been given permission not to wear their uniform to school, the following applies to the respective year groups:

- 1st Year: Full PE uniform – crested tracksuit pants, t-shirt and/or half zip.
- 2nd Year: Full PE uniform – crested tracksuit pants, t-shirt and/or half zip.
- 3rd Year: Full PE uniform – crested tracksuit pants, t-shirt and/or half zip.
- Transition Year: Full PE uniform – crested tracksuit pants, t-shirt and/or half zip.
- 5th Year: Full PE uniform – crested tracksuit pants, t-shirt and/or half zip.
- 6th Year: Plain navy/black tracksuit pants and plain navy/black top are only allowed to be worn on the days the student has PE.

If a student does not have the school PE uniform, they may wear the following, a pair of plain navy/black tracksuit pants and a plain navy/black top.

Leggings are not permitted as part of the school PE uniform.

Students not partaking in PE should wear their normal school uniform to school.

Students have until the end of September to purchase the appropriate PE uniform.

General Appearance

- Hair to be kept neat and tidy at all times.
- Long hair should be tied back for practical classes – Art, Engineering, Construction, Home Economics, P.E. and Science.
- Extreme hair colour is not permitted. Students presenting with inappropriate designs or colour will receive a sanction and are expected to return to school having addressed the issue. In extreme cases the student may be sent home.
- Students will be asked to remove excessive make-up.
- Chewing gum is prohibited.
- Students should be encouraged to keep uniform clean and tidy.
- **For educational, health and safety reasons fake, gel and acrylic nails are not permitted.**

Uniform Inspections and failure to comply with this policy

- Class teachers and school management will carry out uniform inspections regularly.
- Failure to comply with the uniform policy will result in a sanction being issued and the students may be sent home to change.

It is important that students recognise the need to wear the appropriate school uniform and that parents/guardians support the school in the application of our uniform policy.

Kind regards,

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