

OUR LADY & ST EDWARD CATHOLIC VOLUNTARY
ACADEMY SCHOOL UNIFORM POLICY



SCHOOL UNIFORM

Standards of dress are high at Our Lady & St Edward's School. Children are expected to present themselves well and observe the school dress code.

School Uniform is as follows:-

- **Navy blue** sweat shirt/cardigan with the school badge.
- White polo shirt with or without school logo / white shirt/blouse
- Grey skirt / trousers (trousers must be traditional school style, skirts must be of an appropriate length)
- Blue Gingham summer dress
- White, grey or navy socks or tights.
- Black sensible shoes
- Navy blue / black coat

Strictly no jeans, fashion trousers, cords or trainers – school uniform is not a fashion item

P.E. Kit

- Red t-shirt with school badge
- Plain black shorts
- Plimsolls or trainers (trainers are strictly for P.E. and are not suitable for everyday wear)
- Draw string PE bag

Pupils must be neat and sensibly dressed. In the interest of safety, children must not wear jewellery in school, other than analogue watches (for which they are responsible). Smart watches are not allowed in school. If children have pierced ears, they may wear studs only but these must be removed for P.E. and swimming.

Fashion hairstyles are not allowed e.g. tramlines, hair gelled styles, very closely shaved heads, artificially coloured hair/extensions, permed hair, Mohicans. Long hair must be tied back with a sensible, small, plain bobble. Hair accessories e.g hair bands and bobbles should be small, plain and discreet. Fashion hair accessories are not allowed e.g beads, coloured extensions, brightly coloured/patterned bobbles or oversized items.

Letters will be sent to parents of children who do not conform to the school uniform and school Governors will be informed.

Children will also require a school book bag.

Please do not send your child to school with fashion bags or large ruck sack type bags as we are unable to store them in classrooms.



Swimming Kit (Key Stage 2 Only)

- Girls: full swimming costume – bikinis are NOT allowed.
- Boys: swimming trunks – shorts are NOT allowed.
- Victoria Swimming Pool require all girls (and boys) with hair which reaches their shoulders to wear a swimming cap.
- No jewellery to be worn in the swimming pool.
- Goggles should not be worn – advice from the swimming instructors is that goggles are not considered necessary; there is a risk of impact injury to the eyeball; the swimming programme aims to maximise safety; some goggles are only suitable for swimming competitions, diving, sub-aqua work; they do not prevent water from entering the eye. However, if your child has a medical condition or other exceptional reason, please put a request in writing to the class teacher.

Year 4, 5 and 6 pupils are taken swimming once per week during the year. Those children in the above year groups who cannot swim the required 25metres will be taken in the Spring or Summer terms. Due to the variance in numbers there may sometimes be a combination of pupils from different year groups. Parents will be informed via letter when their child will be going swimming.

Parents are requested to mark all items of clothing with their child's name. Un-named items found around school are difficult to return to their owner if unnamed.

It is the responsibility of the pupils and parents to look after and care for their uniform. School cannot be held responsible for the loss of items.

Reviewed by R. Byrne:

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