



# **School Uniform Policy**

**July 2022**

## 1. Introduction

The staff, governors and parents support the wearing of a School Uniform. The children at All Saints Academy are very proud to belong to our school and the uniform re-enforces this sense of identity.

## 2. Uniform expectations

As with all other areas of school, we expect very high standards and encourage children to take a pride in their appearance. Therefore the following policy has been agreed.

- White shirts (long sleeved or short sleeve)
- School tie (Y1-Y6 only): Children in Foundation Stage One (Nursery) and Foundation Stage Two (Reception) do not need to wear a tie.
- Navy blue v-neck jumper or navy blue cardigan: This can be either with or without the school logo.
- Summer dress: Navy and white gingham
- Grey tailored trousers, shorts or skirt (knee length): These should not be patterned, decorated, jeans, flares, tracksuit or leggings.
- Black smart school shoes: Only plain black shoes are permitted – leather or leather look. Footwear must be sensible – heels, pumps, trainers or sandals are **not** permitted. In the colder months, children are permitted to wear boots. These must be black leather or leather look. Boots should be plain without buckles or fur.

## Physical Education (PE)

All children from Year 1 to Year 6 change from their normal clothing for Physical Education. Please supply a named bag for all PE clothing. These can be hung easily on your child's peg. Children will need:

- White t-shirt: round neck or polo neck
- Black shorts or tracksuit bottoms: These must NOT have stripes or logos.
- Sweatshirt: Emerald green sweater with the school logo or a plain black hoodie.
- Trainers: These must be flat soled and appropriate for sporting activity.

Long hair MUST be tied back for all Physical Education lessons.

*Uniform specific to the school can be purchased from Vortex.*

## Swimming (Year 3 only)

Specific information about swimwear will be sent out prior to your child taking part in school swimming lessons.

## 3. Naming of Clothing

All items of clothing must be clearly marked with your child's name. **This cannot be stressed too clearly.** We collect a vast amount of unnamed lost property and sadly, without a name, it is not possible for us to find the owner.

## 4. Lost property

Any lost property found will be checked for a name. If there is a name in the item, it will be returned to the child. If there is no name in the item, it will be placed in the lost property box. Any unclaimed items in the lost property box at the end of each term, will be either:

- Washed and added to the 'New to you' uniform shop OR
- Taken to a local charity shop.

### **5. Jewellery, make-up, nails and hair**

No jewellery is allowed to be worn by children in school other than a wristwatch and a pair of stud earrings. This is for health and safety reasons. If children are to get their ears pierced, we recommend this is done during the longer Summer holiday. Children MUST remove all jewellery for Physical Education lessons. Children who have just had their ears pierced will be given a short grace period where tape or plastered MUST be used to cover the studs. Parent/carers MUST provide the tape or plasters for this. Following this grace period, children must be able to remove their own studs. For safeguarding reasons, staff are NOT permitted to remove earring from a child's ears.

We highly recommend, for health and safety and hygiene reasons, any long hair is tied back at all times. Hair MUST be tied back for Physical Education lessons. Parents/carers should provide the bobbles.

Children are not permitted to wear make-up or nail polish for school. For health and safety reasons, children must not wear artificial nails of any type for school.

### **6. Buying uniform**

We work hard to ensure our school uniform is affordable for all. Most items can be purchased from various affordable local stores such as supermarkets. We do not insist that children wear items with the school logo, this is parental choice. The only school specific item is the school tie which are required for children Year 1 to Year 6.

School specific items can be purchased through Vortex.

Once a half term we offer our 'New to You' school uniform sale. This is an opportunity for parents/carers to buy various items of uniform (including shoes) at an affordable price. We ask parents/carers to donate whatever they can afford.

If at any point, you are struggling to provide uniform for your child, please do not hesitate to contact our Parent Support Advisor (PSA), Michelle Wilkinson. Our PSA can be contacted via ringing the school office or via email [m.wilkinson@smat.org.uk](mailto:m.wilkinson@smat.org.uk).

### **7. Maintaining high expectations**

Children attending school in incorrect uniform will be provided with the correct item for the day and a letter will be sent home. For example, children attending school without a tie, will be provided with a tie for the day. Children attending in the inappropriate footwear will be provided with a pair of school shoes for the day. We will ensure these are of an appropriate size to ensure children remain comfortable. Children will be expected to return these the item at the end of the school day.

We understand that items do go missing and children grow out of items. As a result, a grace period will be given to allow parents/carers to replace any uniform items (approx. 1 week).

There are times when children may need to deviate from our uniform policy. For example, a foot injury may require non-school uniform footwear to be required for a short period of time. In these cases, please contact school to inform us of the issue.

### **8. Diversity**

The school recognises the diversity of cultures, religions and disabilities of its children and will take a sensitive approach when this affects dress/clothing requirements. However, priority will be given to health and safety and security considerations. Risk Assessments will take place as appropriate.

### **9. Equality and Diversity**

If on reading this policy you feel there are any equality and diversity issues, please contact the headteacher who will, if necessary, ensure this policy is reviewed.