



## School Uniform Policy

2018-2019

### **1 Introduction**

It is our school policy that all children wear school uniform when attending school, or when participating in school-organised events outside normal school hours. We ask children to wear their shirts tucked into their skirts or trousers and to take a pride in their personal appearance. Some items of uniform can be bought from school (e.g. ties), whilst others are easily available, at competitive prices from MAPAC:

(<https://www.mapac.com/education/parents?uniform=s>)

*Summer Uniform – Summer Term and Autumn (first-half term only)*

*Winter Uniform – Autumn (second half-term and Spring Term)*

### **2 Aims and objectives**

Our policy on school uniform is based on the belief that school uniform:

- promotes a sense of pride in our school;
- helps to create a sense of community and belonging towards the school;
- identifies the children with the school;
- supports our commitment to inclusion;
- prevents children from wearing 'fashion clothes' that could be distracting in class;
- is practical, smart and designed with health and safety in mind;
- is considered good value for money by most parents;

### **3 Jewellery, Hair Ornaments, Make-up and Nail Varnish**

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*For health and safety reasons we do not allow children to wear any jewellery. The exception to this rule is ear-ring studs in pierced ears. Children are required to remove any items during PE lessons to prevent them from causing injury. If they cannot be removed, they must be taped in order to participate in the session. Please note: Teachers are not permitted to remove earrings. Long hair must be tied back at all times with bands which should be plain and either black or other neutral colours (hair colour) – no bows. Hair bands must not have large flowers attached. Make up and nail varnish must not be worn to school unless for an out of school hours function, for example a school disco. Extreme hairstyles are not appropriate for school. The use of styling products should be kept to a minimum and children must not have decorative patterns cut/shaved into their hair (no tracks/tramlines) or have hair coloured or dyed.*

### **4 Footwear**

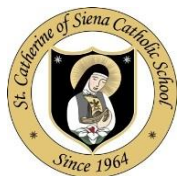
*External shoes – For health and safety reasons we do not allow children to wear shoes with platform soles or high heels. All children are required to wear plain black shoes or trainers with minimal logos. Coloured trainers are not permitted. If boots are worn these should also be plain black. All children must have robust shoes that can be worn in all weather conditions and allow them to run and move freely, especially for the Golden Mile. For this reason, ‘Slip-on’ shoes are not allowed.*

*Internal shoes – Plimsolls must be worn in the school building throughout the school year. They will be sent home on a termly basis at which point they should be checked by parents to ensure they are clean, in good condition and of a good fit.*

### **5 The Role of Parents**

*We believe that one of the responsibilities of parents is to ensure that their child has the correct uniform and PE kit, and that it is clean, in good repair and that the child's name is written on all items. If a parent has difficulties for any reason with fulfilling this request, they are asked to speak confidentially to a senior member of the office to discuss the issues.*

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*Parents should be assured that we will do all we can to help. Parents will be contacted to discuss uniform matters if required.*

*The school welcomes children from all backgrounds and faith communities. If there are serious reasons, for example on religious grounds, why parents want their child to wear clothes that differ from the school uniform, the school will consider such requests sympathetically. If any parent would like to request a modification to the uniform policy they should, in the first instance, contact the headteacher.*

### ***6 The Role of Governors***

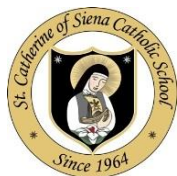
*The governing body supports the headteacher in implementing the school uniform policy. It considers all representations from parents regarding the uniform policy and liaises with the headteacher to ensure that the policy is implemented fairly and with sensitivity. It is the governors' responsibility to ensure that the school uniform meets all regulations concerning equal opportunities. Governors ensure that the school uniform policy enables children to dress sensibly, in clothing that is hardwearing, safe and practical.*

### ***7 Monitoring and Review***

*The headteacher monitors and reviews the school uniform policy through its committee work by:*

- seeking the views of parents, to ensure that they agree with and support the policy;*
- considering, with other staff, any requests from parents for individual children to have special dispensation with regard to school uniform;*

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### School Uniform List

Our school uniform colour is a combination of grey, black, white and gold. Most items can be bought from high street shops/ supermarkets. Items marked with a \* below, which have the school logo on, are bought from 'MAPAC'. *Ties and book bags are available from the school office. Please speak to our office staff for details of prices.*

For girls:

Winter Uniform	Summer Uniform
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Black skirt/pinafore dress</li><li>• White blouse with reverse collar only</li><li>• Black cardigan*</li><li>• Black tights/socks</li><li>• Coat*</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Yellow and white checked or striped dresses/skorts or polo shirt with black skirt</li><li>• Plain white short or knee length socks (not over the knee)</li><li>• White tights (if cold)</li></ul>

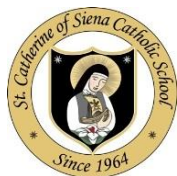
Please note: skirts should be an appropriate length and of a style which allows girls to sit comfortably on the floor.

For boys:

Winter Uniform	Summer Uniform
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Black Jumper*</li><li>• White shirt with tie*</li><li>• Black Trousers</li><li>• Coat*</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• White polo shirt*</li><li>• Black smart trousers/shorts</li><li>• White/black socks</li></ul>

Reversible waterproof coats, with the school logo, which are suitable for boys and girls, are available from MAPAC. Shoes should be flat, black and appropriate for school. If trainers are worn these should be plain black without logos. Your child should wear shoes which he or she can manage to do up independently. Please do not send your child to school in shoes which prevent them from running in the playground.

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## P.E. Kit

Children will wear their PE kit to school for their PE day. All school uniform and P.E. kit MUST be named. Children can become upset as a result of lost clothing – please help us by naming everything.

<i>PE Kit (Boys &amp; Girls)</i>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <i>White t-shirt*</i></li><li>• <i>Black sweater*</i></li><li>• <i>Black shorts/jogging bottoms (unbranded) – no leggings.</i></li><li>• <i>Black trainers (minimal logos)</i></li></ul>



For health and safety reasons children are not permitted to wear earrings for PE. Your child's teacher will advise you when PE lessons take place so that earrings can be removed. Please note: it is at the discretion of the headteacher whether an item is deemed appropriate.

Approved by: **Headteacher**

Approved Date: **November 2018**

Review Date: **October 2019**

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