

# St John's School Uniform and Dress Code

All pupils should be aware that the School expects high standards of appearance at all times. These regulations apply throughout the School day, including when travelling to and from school.

The Deputy Head (Pastoral)'s decision about the acceptability of dress/appearance is final. Pupils will be warned if their dress/appearance is not appropriate and they should immediately correct it. Repeated failure to adhere to these rules will result in sanctions.

## Please note that all clothes MUST be properly labelled.

Items marked with an asterisk (\*) must be purchased from Schoolblazer (www.schoolblazer.com).

#### **Lower Third to Upper Fifth**

- Navy crested blazer\* or navy crested fitted jacket\*.
- Charcoal grey trousers (should not be tight or skinny fit) or school kilt\*. (School kilt must be purchased from Schoolblazer.) Kilts must not be rolled.
- Plain white long-sleeved or short-sleeved shirts with school tie\* or plain, white open necked longsleeved revere collared blouses.
- Navy crested V-necked pullover\*.
- Black or grey socks or dark blue or black tights.
- Black leather shoes (heels no more than 3cm high).
- Black crested puffer jacket (optional).
- Dark overcoat (optional).
- Crested bottle green scarf\* (optional)

### **Sixth Form Dress Code**

Pupils in Sixth Form do not have a uniform but are expected to follow the standards outlined below. This dress code is intended to ensure that all pupils dress in a smart, purposeful and business-like manner during the working day.

- Plain suits in either grey, black or navy (no check or stripes). Skirts are to be no more than 10cm above or below the knee and not tight fitting.
- Plain or discreetly striped shirts or blouses (a white shirt/blouse is compulsory for formal events).
- School tie\* (or prefect/colours tie if appropriate).
- V-necked pullover or quarter zip style pullover in dark grey, black, navy, or a subtle pastel shade.
   Logos not permitted (optional).
- Crested bottle green scarf\* (optional).
- Plain dark socks or tights or plain skin tone tights.
- Sensible and business-like black polished leather shoes (not boots or trainer type). These must be kept clean, polished and in a state of good repair. Heels must be no more than 3cm.
- Dark overcoat (optional)

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### **SPORTS KIT**

Pupils must abide by clothing regulations specified for activities by the member of staff in charge. Any sportswear which is required must be purchased from the Schoolblazer website. Mouthguards and shin pads are mandatory.

## All year groups

Essential	Optional
Bottle green/black crested tracksuit top*	Black base layer top
Black crested training pant*	Bottle green crested midlayer*
Crested PE shorts*	Black base layer leggings
Bottle green games socks*	Black running shorts
Bottle green/white crested shirt*	Black rugby shorts
(Lower School only)	
House reversible games shirt*	
(Fourth Form and above)	For swimming
House games socks*	Black crested swimming costume or jammers*
(Fourth Form and above)	Swim cap*
Bottle green crested training shirt*	
For netball/hockey	
Bottle green/white crested shirt/ house reversible	
games shirt*	
Black crested skort*	
Crested netball dress*	
(Essential for first and	
second teams, optional	
for all other teams)	
For rugby/football	
Bottle green/white crested shirt/ house reversible	
games shirt*	
Crested PE shorts* or plain black rugby shorts	
For Summer (dependent on sport played)	
Crested cricket shirt*	
Cricket trousers (unfinished length)	
Cricket fleece* (optional)	
Crested tennis shirt*	
Tennis shorts or skort*	
Athletics vest*	

## Hair, nails, make-up, jewellery

- Hair should be kept clean, tidy and should not be dyed.
- Short hair: the lowest razor cut permitted is grade 2. Visible shaved lines, any significant difference in hair length the side and the top and any form of exaggerated quiffs are not allowed.
- Long hair: shoulder length or longer, must be tied back throughout the day.
- Hair should not have beads or threads braided in.
- Pupils who come to school with inappropriate hairstyles may be required to return home until this
  has been rectified.
- No beards or stubble are allowed. Pupils may be asked to shave at school or, for repeated offences, sent home.
- Nails must be kept short. Nail varnish is not permitted.
- Lower School pupils are not allowed to wear make-up in school.
- Senior school pupils may wear make-up, but it should be discrete, minimal and business-like.
- A simple silver or gold necklace may be worn (crucifixes and other religious symbols are acceptable).
- Earrings should be of simple stud or small sleeper design, worn as a pair, and there should be a

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maximum of one per ear, placed centrally in the lobe.

- No body piercing is allowed (other than ear lobe as above).
- Rings and bracelets are not permitted.
- Jewellery must be removed for games or CCF.

<u>Sixth Form privilege exception</u>: Sixth Form pupils may wear rings (maximum of two per hand), bracelets (maximum of two) and nail varnish and are not required to tie long hair back.

#### Summer Dress

When the Deputy Head (Co-curricular and Logistics) notifies the School, uniform may be adapted for warm weather as follows:

- Blazers are not worn.
- Shirts rolled up above the elbow.
- No pullovers or tights.

#### Non-uniform dress (boarders)

In the evenings, after 5.30pm and mornings before breakfast, boarders may wear non-uniform clothes. These should be clean, tidy and in good repair and meet with Senior House Staff approval. Uniform should be worn at breakfast.

### **Trips**

Particular dress codes may apply for school trips. The decision as to what is acceptable in such situations lies with the member of staff in charge of the trip.

#### Requests for variation in the School Dress Code

All pupils are required to abide by this dress code throughout their time at school. The School's Equality Policy makes provision for requests from parents and/or pupils for variations in the uniform where they relate to the Equality Act's protected characteristics. The Head will consider requests provided that:

- the request is consistent with the School's policy on health and safety;
- the request is reasonable in all the circumstances including in light of the School's obligations under the Equality Act 2010; and
- the Head considers the variations to be in the spirit of the School's policy.

Alex Mogford Deputy Head (Pastoral)

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