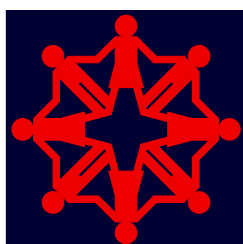


All Saints' C of E Primary School



School Uniform Policy

Reviewed: May 2022

Next review: May 2024

SIAMS VISION STATEMENT

All Believing All Achieving

All Saints' School is an open and caring community committed to Christian values.

Our school is based on the love of learning, social justice, inclusion and responsibility.

It is committed to bringing positive change and peace in our local community, and the world, since we are all made in God's image.

"What does the Lord require from you, but to do justice, and love kindness and to walk humbly with your God" Micah 6:8.

Aims

This policy aims to:

- Set out our approach to requiring a uniform that is of reasonable cost and offers the best value for money for parents and carers

- Explain how we will avoid discrimination in line with our legal duties under the Equality Act 2010

- Clarify our expectations for school uniform

Our school's legal duties under the Equality Act 2010

The Equality Act 2010 prohibits discrimination against an individual based on the protected characteristics, which include sex, race, religion or belief, and gender reassignment.

To avoid discrimination, our school will:

- Avoid listing uniform items based on sex, to give all pupils the opportunity to wear the uniform they feel most comfortable in or that most reflects their self-identified gender

- Make sure that our uniform costs the same for all pupils

- Allow all pupils to have long hair (though we reserve the right to ask for this to be tied back)

- Allow all pupils to style their hair in the way that is appropriate for school yet makes them feel most comfortable

- Allow pupils to request changes to swimwear for religious reasons

- Allow pupils to wear headscarves and other religious or cultural symbols

- Allow for adaptations to our policy on the grounds of equality by asking pupils or their parents to get in touch with the School Business Manager, who can answer questions about the policy and respond to any requests.

Limiting the cost of school uniform:

Our school has a duty to make sure that the uniform we require is affordable, in line with statutory [guidance](#) from the Department for Education on the cost of school uniform.

We understand that items with distinctive characteristics (such as branded items, or items that have to have a school logo or a unique fabric/colour/design) cannot be purchased from a wide range of retailers and that requiring many such items limits parents' ability to 'shop around' for a low price.

We will make sure our uniform:

Is available at a reasonable cost

Provides the best value for money for parents/carers

We will do this by:

Carefully considering whether any items with distinctive characteristics are necessary

Limiting any items with distinctive characteristics where possible. For example, a plain navy jumper can be worn instead of a school logo jumper

Limiting items with distinctive characteristics to low-cost or long-lasting items, such as ties

Considering cheaper alternatives to school-branded items, such as logos that can be ironed on, as long as this doesn't compromise quality and durability

Avoiding specific requirements for items pupils could wear on non-school days, such as coats, bags and shoes

Keeping the number of optional branded items to a minimum, so that the school's uniform can act as a social leveler

Avoiding different uniform requirements for different year/class/house groups

Avoiding different uniform requirements for extra-curricular activities

Considering alternative methods for signaling differences in groups for interschool competitions, such as creating posters or labels

Making sure that arrangements are in place for parents to acquire second-hand uniform items

Avoiding frequent changes to uniform specifications and minimising the financial impact on parents of any changes

Consulting with parents and pupils on any proposed significant changes to the uniform policy and carefully considering any complaints about the policy

Expectations for school uniform:

Our school's uniform:

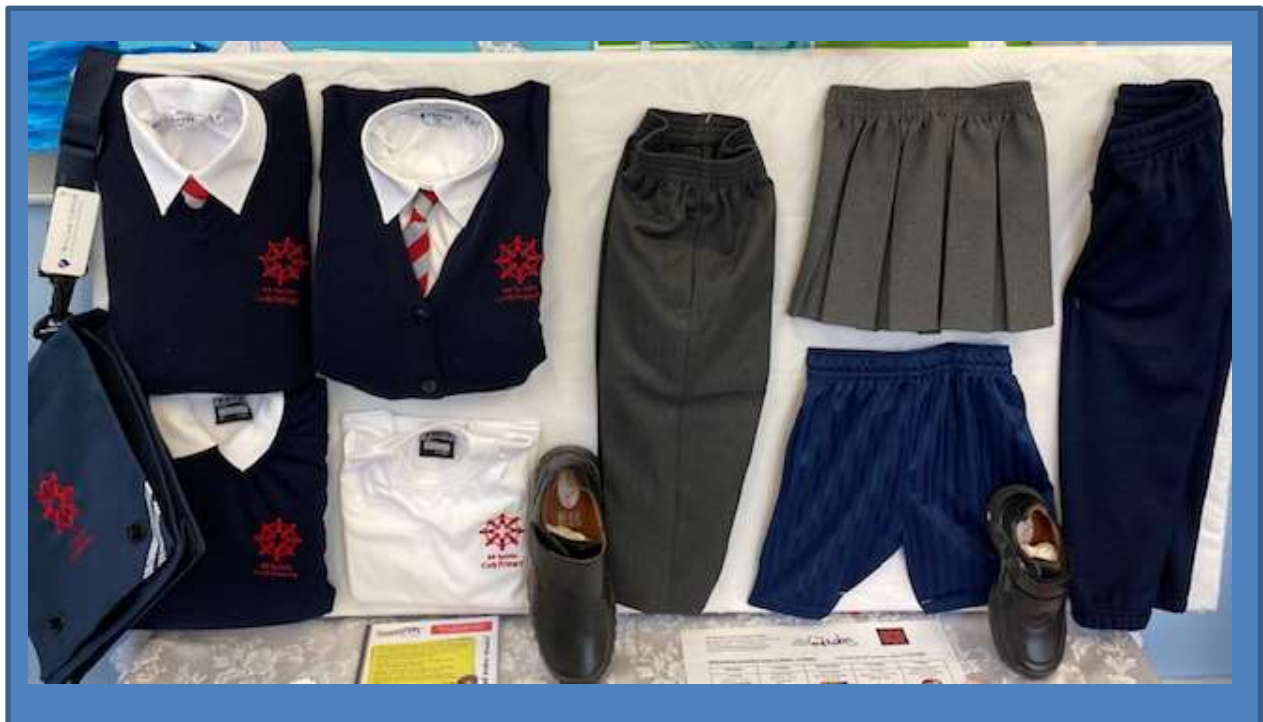
Navy blue sweatshirt, jumper, cardigan with or without the school logo

Plain grey dress, knee-length skirt, trousers or shorts

Plain white polo shirt / white collared shirt

Plain black shoes

Plain grey, white, navy or black socks or tights
Plain navy, grey or white headscarf/hair accessories
Summer blue checked dress (in Summer only)
P.E Kit
Navy PE shorts
White T-shirt
Plimsoles/trainers
Navy jogging bottoms (in Winter)



Where to purchase it:

Our uniform can be purchased from Bubblegum School Wear in Thornton Heath. Our logo products can be purchased from here. Other items are widely available from 'high-street' retailers.

Information about second-hand uniform:

- On occasion we do sell secondhand uniform

Expectations for our school community

Pupils

Pupils are expected to wear the correct uniform at all times (other than specified non-school uniform days) while:

- On the school premises
- Travelling to and from school

At out-of-school events or on trips that are organised by the school, or where they are representing the school (if required)

Pupils are also expected to contact the School Business Manager by email admin@allsaintsschool.croydon.sch.uk if they want to request an amendment to the uniform policy in relation to their protected characteristics.

Parents and carers

Parents and carers are expected to make sure their child has the correct uniform and PE kit, and that every item is:

- Clean

- Clearly labelled with the child's name

- In good condition

Parents are also expected to contact the School Business Manager by email admin@allsaintsschool.croydon.sch.uk if they want to request an amendment to the uniform policy in relation to:

- Their child's protected characteristics

- The cost of the uniform

Parents are expected to lodge any complaints or objections relating to the school uniform in a timely and reasonable manner.

Disputes about the cost of the school uniform will be:

- Resolved locally

- Dealt with in accordance with our school's complaints policy

The school will work closely with parents to arrive at a mutually acceptable outcome.

Staff

Staff will closely monitor pupils to make sure they are in correct uniform. They will give any pupils and families breaching the uniform policy the opportunity to comply, but will follow up with the headteacher if the situation doesn't improve.

Ongoing breaches of our uniform policy will be dealt with by a member of the senior leadership team.

In cases where it is suspected that financial hardship has resulted in a pupil not complying with this uniform policy, staff will take a mindful and considerate approach to resolving the situation.

Governors

The governing board will review this policy and make sure that it:

- Is appropriate for our school's context

- Is implemented fairly across the school

- Takes into account the views of parents and pupils

Offers a uniform that is appropriate, practical and safe for all pupils

The board will also make sure that the school's uniform supplier arrangements give the highest priority to cost and value for money, for example by avoiding single supplier contracts and by re-tendering contracts at least every 5 years.

Monitoring arrangements:

This policy will be reviewed every 2 years.

Links to other policies

This policy is linked to our:

Behaviour policy

Equality information and objectives statement

Anti-bullying policy

Complaints policy