



St Stephen's Dress Code for Pupils

All children are asked to wear the school uniform. This not only looks smart and helps all children to feel part of the same school family, but it also helps to foster a positive working ethos.

The school uniform consists of:

- Grey skirt/pinafore or grey school trousers (tailored). Leggings may be worn under a school skirt/pinafore.
- White polo shirt
- Blue sweatshirt/cardigan with or without the school logo
- Summer: Blue white gingham check dress (dark blue leggings under the dress may be worn if this is culturally required)

FOOTWEAR

Children should wear black low heeled school shoes. Black trainers are permitted in school.

Please note:

- Girls and boys must not wear jogging bottoms, jeans or fashion trousers
- Boots should not be worn inside school. During severe rain or snow, boots or wellingtons may be worn, but changed on entry into school as the corridors can become dangerously slippery

PE KIT

- Black/blue shorts (children may wear leggings for P.E. if this is culturally required)
- White t-shirt
- Black plimsolls (FOR INDOOR USE ONLY)
- Trainers (outdoors only)

Year 4 and 5 pupils need swimwear to take part in the L.E.A. swimming programme each year. *This should be a one piece swim suit. The school adopts the "Safe Practice in P.E. and Sport" guidance. Sections 3.5.44 to 3.5.65 make it very clear what the health and safety in sport requirements are with regards to the wearing of footwear, clothing and jewellery within P.E. lessons. With the nature of primary age pupils at playtime being often very active and physical, we believe these guidelines to be appropriate for playtimes.*

JEWELLERY

Personal effects, such as jewellery, large hair decorations and so forth should not be worn to establish a safe working environment. Earrings should not be worn when children are taking part in physical activity/swimming.

ITEMS FOR CULTURAL or HEALTH and SAFETY REASONS

Pupils may wear plain navy/black head scarves. However these should be close fitting to the head and be free of loose fabric for health and safety reasons. Medical-aid wristbands or items to be worn around the neck as per the recommendation of the school health team are permitted. However these must be part of the care plan for a child and negotiated through the school health team. They must always be worn with a break free strap.

HAIR STYLING AND SKIN/NAIL DECORATIONS

Pupils should have natural hair colouring which is smartly worn such as long hair tied back and no areas shaved with tramlines or decorative features. Headbands should be plain and of school colours (i.e. blue/black). Pupils should not wear tattoos or nail varnish.

LABELLING

We ask that all uniform and PE kit is clearly labelled.

This policy was revised by the Resources Committee in May 2022 after it was first introduced in May 2017