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Dear Parent / Carer,

In line with Department for Education guidance on school uniform I am writing to you to confirm our uniform changes for the upcoming academic year. Please be advised we will phase these changes in over the next academic year. Any school uniform that pupils are wearing in line with the current policy will be accepted until Summer 2023.

Attached is a copy of our school uniform policy for academic year 2022 – 2023, in summary the changes are as follows:

- Jumpers (see example) will move to a traditional woollen grey school jumper with no embroidered school badge, these will remain optional for pupils. These can be purchased from any school uniform supplier including supermarkets and department stores.
- School Skirts (see example) will change to a generic grey permanent pleated knee length school skirt with no school badge. These can be purchased from any school uniform supplier including supermarkets and department stores.
- All year groups will move to one school tie (the current KS3 tie with no school badge)
- School badges for blazers will change to an iron-on badge with a coloured House circle to negate need for coloured braid to be sewn onto the blazer.



Ties are now available to purchase online via ParentPay and can be collected by students in school. We will replicate this process for school badges when they become available, before the summer holidays.

From additional parental feedback we have sourced a less expensive, more durable, better sized PE kit that parents will be able to order online or in store in the coming weeks.

We will contact you as soon as this kit goes live with details on how to purchase.

These changes are intended to give parents greater flexibility in purchasing uniform from a wide range of suppliers to ensure you get the best quality and choice. This has enabled us to ensure the cost of school uniform at St Wilfrid's RC College is reduced for all families.

Yours sincerely

M.J. Price
Deputy Head Teacher

Excellentia per fidem, per scientiam, per adiuvatum





St Wilfrid's RC College

Uniform Expectations 2022-23

A high standard of personal appearance is expected of all students and anyone arriving at college in non-uniform clothing may expect to be sent home to get changed.

The college has a rigid policy concerning uniform; it must be worn at ALL TIMES, unless given permission by a member of staff. Uniform issues related to matters of religious observance may be granted.

Extreme haircuts (tramlines, cat scratches, patterns, 'V' cuts, steps or unnatural colours are not acceptable). The shortest grade accepted is a 2.

Whilst Covid protocols are maintained in school, hair that is longer than shoulder length is to be tied back off the face to reduce the amount of contact students have touching their face.

Make-up (including fake tan, fake/tinted eyelashes, false/enhanced eyebrows, fake nails) and jewellery (including clear plastic piercing retainers) must not be worn – jewellery may be confiscated and will require collection by parents at the end of the day.

Outdoor Coats must not be worn in the building.

The wearing of trainers is **not** allowed under any circumstances except for in P.E. lessons.

St. Wilfrid's RC College Uniform

Years 7-11

- Black blazer with college badge and braid / new school badge with coloured circle
- Grey permanent pleated knee-length skirt/ grey regulation school trousers, worn to the top of the shoe (tight fitting or jean style prohibited)
- Regulation white shirt, buttoned to neck
- Grey traditional V neck school jumper (no Logo required)
- Clip-on tie (green with gold diagonal stripes)
- Plain black tights or white/black socks ankle or knee length
- **Plain** black formal shoes without logos (not trainers or plimsolls)
- Sensible waterproof outdoor coat (plain, dark colours)
- No hats in college

PE Kit

- White polo shirt (no logo required)
- Black shorts
- Black school tracksuit bottoms (optional)
- Black ¼ zip School PE Sweatshirt (optional)
- Black football socks
- Trainers
- Boys will need football boots

Equipment

All students must provide their own black pens, pencils, rubbers, basic earphones for music lessons and rulers and they must have them at all times. Calculators are sold in college.

It is essential that every student is provided with an appropriate bag for carrying exercise and text books to and from college. This ensures that books and equipment are kept in good condition.

All students must have an apron for technology lessons to protect their clothing.