



St Alban's Catholic Primary School

Our uniform policy reflects our values and reinforces our school's culture of high expectations and academic achievement. All pupils must dress according to the uniform policy. Uniform is one way we identify ourselves as a school community and it promotes a strong, cohesive identity which supports high standards and expectation in all areas of school life. It promotes harmony between different groups represented in the school, and it enhances security.

Smartness and high standards of appearance are expected at all times. We have a required school uniform for several reasons:

- Uniforms unite the school. Pupils make a commitment that when they put on St Alban's uniform they will abide by the rules of the community.
- Uniforms will reduce distractions, when pupils are allowed to wear their own clothes there is a potential to talk about fashion and styles rather than learning.
- Uniforms make us all equal. Whether families have high incomes or low incomes, the pupils come to school looking the same way. No one has to feel bad about the clothes they do or don't have.

Non-Compliance with the Uniform Policy

It is the responsibility of the staff to ensure that the school uniform policy is adhered to. Parents and carers of pupils that do not wear the correct uniform will be contacted and asked to bring the correct uniform into school. Persistent and defiant non-compliance with the policy will result in an appropriate sanction.

There may be good reason why a pupil is not wearing school uniform. In this case parents / carers should either contact the school in person or by letter. The school will always be discreet and considerate in trying to establish why a pupil is not wearing the correct uniform. Pupils will not be made to feel uncomfortable nor discriminated against. We encourage a discussion with the school at the earliest opportunity if there are any difficulties.

There will be occasions when the school decides that school uniform is not appropriate e.g. when taking part in physical activity and wearing different clothes as a part of a fund raising event. Parents/ carers will be notified in advance of the revised dress code.

Equal Opportunities

All children have equal access to wearing school uniform regardless of their culture, race, religion, gender, disability or ability. We ensure that the set uniform respects other policies such as equality, race, relations and sex discrimination. Minor adjustments to the standard school uniform are accepted for religious reasons but should be agreed with the head teacher in advance.

<u>Winter Uniform</u>	<u>Winter Uniform</u>
Grey Trousers	Grey Skirt/Trousers
White shirt with school Tie	White shirt with Tie
V-neck Green Jumper	V-neck Green cardigan/jumper
Black school shoes (not trainers)	Black shoes (not trainers)
<u>SUMMER</u>	<u>SUMMER</u>
Grey shorts with white polo shirt	Green/white checker summer dress with Green cardigan

<u>PE KIT winter</u>	<u>PE KIT winter</u>
White T-shirt with Green tracksuit	White T-shirt with Green tracksuit
<u>PE KIT summer</u>	<u>PE KIT summer</u>
White crew neck T-shirt with black shorts	White crew neck T-shirt with black shorts
Black / white plain trainers	Black / white plain trainers

*NB Children are only to wear green tracksuit tops on PE days

Book bags and PE bags with the school logo can be purchased from the Wirral Uniform Centre.

Outdoor Clothing

Pupils should bring a coat to school each day, apart from the hotter weather. Sun hats can be worn outside during the hotter days.

Jewellery/accessories

No jewellery is permitted.

If ears are recently pierced and have to stay in for the required period (usually 6 weeks) tape is to be placed over the stud.

Lost Property

All mislaid items are placed on the coat rack by the St Alban's door and pupils are encouraged to check for any missing items. At the end of every term all unclaimed items will be disposed of.

Footwear

Pupils must wear closed-toed, hard soles, all black plain shoes with a flat sole.

Hair styles

Pupils' hair should be neatly groomed and tidy at all times. Long hair on pupils should be tied back. Pupils will not be permitted to have designs or words cut into their hair or have permanent or temporary coloured hair.

School uniform suppliers

Wirral Uniform Centre

2 Princes Pavement, Grange Precinct, Birkenhead CH41 2XY

School uniform can be purchased from high street stores or school shops for items with a logo.

Second Hand uniform

Second hand uniform is available for a reduced price or free on websites like Preloved / Gumtree. School also has a small selection of second hand uniform which has been donated.