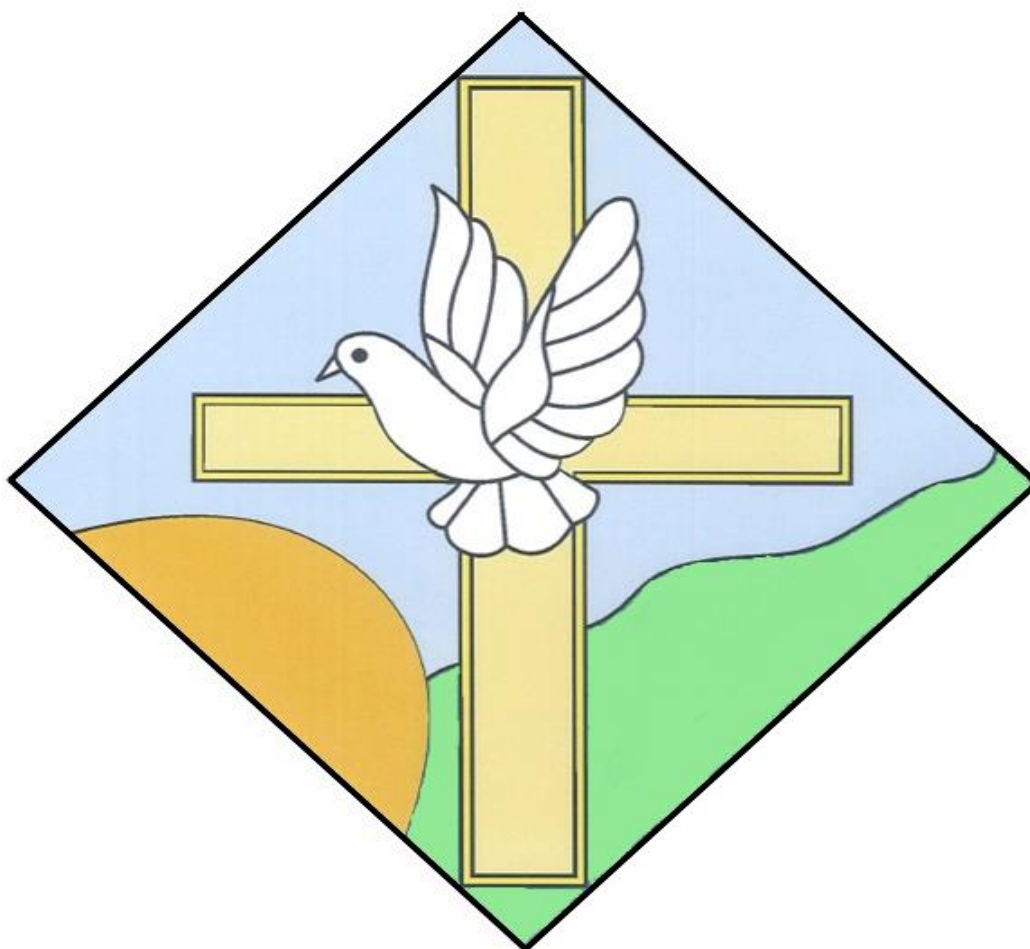




St Peter and St Paul Catholic Primary Academy

Uniform Policy



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Mission Statement

Promoting high quality education, love, care and forgiveness of others as taught to us by Jesus and our Patron Saints.

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1. Introduction

1.1 It is our policy that all children should be encouraged to wear school uniform when attending school, or when participating in a school organised event outside normal school hours. We provide a list of the items suggested for school uniform on our school website and they are listed below for ease of reference.

1.2 The DfE (Department for Education) ‘strongly encourages schools to have a uniform’ as they believe ‘it can play a valuable role in contributing to the ethos of a school and set an appropriate tone.’

2. Aims and objectives

Our policy is based on the notion that a school uniform:

- promotes a sense of pride in the school
- engenders a feeling of community and belonging
- builds a sense of identity
- is practical and smart
- identifies the children with the school
- is not distracting in class
- makes children feel equal to their peers in terms of appearance
- is regarded as suitable, of good quality and of good value for money, by most parents
- supports positive behaviour
- has been designed with health and safety in mind.

3. Items of uniform

The school colour is green.

The following items below comprise our school uniform. The only compulsory items which are branded are the school V-neck jumpers, cardigans and polo shirts available from our supplier: Price and

Buckland. All other items are either not compulsory e.g., blazer, or can be purchased online from Price and Buckland or from any other shop or supermarket. We would prefer the children to wear the branded Academy tracksuit, however a plain bottle green tracksuit can be purchased if necessary – but this must be the same colour as the branded version (we will not accept khaki green for example).

No item of uniform is gender specific.

Uniform List

- White shirt or blouse worn with Academy green and gold striped tie
- White Academy logo polo shirt (spring to autumn half term weather permitting) worn without tie
- Green and gold striped school tie
- Green V neck jumper/cardigan with Academy logo
- Grey trousers with grey or white socks
- Green skirts or pinafore with green or white socks or green tights
- Green checked dress with white socks (spring to autumn half term weather permitting)
- Green Academy logo coat or dark coloured coat
- Green cap with Academy logo (optional)
- Green woollen hat with Academy logo (optional)
- Black shoes or plain black trainers (must have black soles, black laces and no obvious logo). For safety reasons, no heels higher than 2cm. We do not allow boots. Shoes need to be comfortable and fit for purpose.

PE Kit

Pupils attend school on their PE days in PE kit. There are 2 PE lessons per week. If your child attends a sports club after school, they will also attend in PE kit.

- Gold t-shirt
- Green shorts
- Black plimsolls or plain black/white trainers
- Green Academy logo tracksuit
- Black/grey or white ankle socks

The price of items of uniform available via the school or Price and Buckland will be available via the school website.

New Uniform

New uniform is purchased through Price and Buckland:

www.pbuniform-online.co.uk/stpeterandpaulcatholic

Pre-loved Uniform

Pre-loved uniform can be accessed through the PTA. There is no charge for this, however a donation can be made if able. A list of available items is sent home with the newsletter every week.

The school are not permitted to profit from the sale of items of uniform.

4. Jewellery

4.1 We do not allow children to wear jewellery in our school.

4.2 The exceptions to this rule are small objects of religious significance or analogue wristwatches.

4.3 On days when children have Physical Education lessons and/or sporting activities, they should not wear any jewellery to school. If children do attend school with jewellery, they will be asked to remove objects before Physical Education lessons or any other lessons where the wearing of such items constitutes a potential safety risk. Teachers and other members of staff do not take responsibility for the safe keeping of jewellery which has been removed.

5. Extreme haircuts / Make-up

5.1 The school does not permit children to have haircuts / hair colourings that could serve as a distraction to other children.

5.2 Mid to long length hair (shoulder length or longer) should be tied up at all times. Hair accessories should be minimal and can be green, gold, black or white.

5.3 The wearing of make-up, including nail varnish, is not permitted. Likewise, the wearing of temporary tattoos is not acceptable.

6. The Role of Parents

6.1 We ask all parents who send their children to our school to support the 'School Uniform Policy'. We believe that parents have a duty to send their children to school correctly dressed and to support the policies of the school. Parents should ensure that their child has the correct uniform / colour and that it is clean and in good condition.

6.2 We ask that parents engage with recycling of school uniform through our partnership with the PTA by bringing in items of uniform that are still in good condition so that they be reused by other parents. A list of items accepted by the PTA is circulated every week.

6.3 We ask that all parents label their children's uniform items or write their names in the labels to enable mislaid items to be returned to their owners.

7. Adaptations and non-compliance

7.1 It is our aim to work with families to overcome difficulties with non-compliance of this policy. At all times, we are willing to consider reasonable requests for flexibility to accommodate particular social and cultural circumstances or SEND. In this instance, parents should at first make representations to the headteacher.

7.2 If a pupil is not wearing an item of uniform as identified in this policy a letter may be sent home as a reminder identifying which item is not suitable or the parent will be called. For repeated occurrences the parent may be called to a meeting with the headteacher.

8. The Role of the Governing Body

8.1 The Governing body supports the Headteacher in implementing the school uniform policy. It considers all representations from parents regarding this policy and liaises with the Headteacher to ensure that the policy is implemented fairly and with sensitivity.

8.2 It is the Governing body's responsibility to ensure that the school uniform meets all national regulations concerning equal opportunities and that the school uniform policy is consistent with the school's policy on equal opportunities.

8.3 Governing body members ensure that the school uniform policy helps children to dress sensibly in clothing that is hardwearing, safe and practical.

9. Monitoring and review

This policy will be reviewed by the Governing body annually.