



St Philomena's School



Dressing for Excellence

Forms IV to VI



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We firmly believe that if our pupils are smartly dressed in a uniform consistent with school protocol, they will be prepared for work in the classroom.

Introduction

At St Philomena's School we place an emphasis on pride in our community and on achieving excellence in every dimension of the life and work of our school. A visible indication of this is in the standard of our pupils' uniform and appearance.

We believe there are many benefits to the whole community of pupils wearing a smart uniform. School uniform plays a valuable role in contributing to our ethos.

First impressions are very important in ensuring that pupils are good ambassadors for the school. At St Philomena's we aim to provide all pupils with a sense of identity.

Expectations

- **ALL CLOTHING MUST BE NAMED** and kept in good condition (please remove previous name labels if applicable).
- Footwear must be cleaned regularly (including trainers).
- Make up, nail varnish, temporary tattoos and body art are not permitted.
- Jewellery is not permitted (including any form of earrings).
- Hair should be brushed neatly.
- Long hair (boys and girls) must be secured neatly away from the face.
- Styles such as top knots which leave long hair loose are not permitted.
- Hair bands, ribbons, clips and beads must be plain navy.
- Hair extensions and hair dye of any colour are not permitted.
- Designs cut in to short hair are not allowed.

Roles and Responsibilities

The Class Teacher is responsible for ensuring the day to day implementation of uniform standards.

Parents should take responsibility for ensuring that their child owns and wears the correct uniform, including the PE kit. They are encouraged to work in partnership with the school to maintain high standards of appearance.

Pupils are expected to wear their school uniform in line with school expectations at all times - from leaving home in the morning until returning home after school. They should be proud ambassadors of the school.

Optional Items



Girls skirt

Forms V and VI only as an alternative to the tunic



Music bag

How to Purchase our School Uniform

St Philomena's School offers an online/in-store service for the purchase of uniform from our current suppliers, Coes of Ipswich. Unless otherwise stated, all items of uniform and bags are available from Coes.

Website: www.coes.co.uk

Telephone: 01473 256061

Store: Coes of East Anglia, 20-28 Norwich Road, Ipswich, Suffolk, IP1 2NH

Pre-Loved Uniform

Nearly new uniform is available from the school. A pre-loved sale takes place on the last Friday of each school month.

*Items Available From the School Office

School trip bag
Music bag
Tie
Sports socks (navy with Jackson stripe)
Hoodie
Summer boater
Felt hat (girls)
Winter cap (boys)
Sun hat
Woollen beanie hat
Bobble hat
Gloves

* Available from the School Office

Guide to Footwear

Plain black flat leather or leather effect shoes of a formal and traditional style.

No trainer style shoes. All shoes must be polishable.

GIRLS Single cross bar style in either patent or plain black leather.

No slip on ballet pumps.

BOYS Slip on style or velcro fastening.

SPORTS Plain black, navy blue or white trainers.

Colours other than black, navy and white are not allowed on trainers.

Some examples of suitable school shoes/trainers that are plain black.



No boots, canvas shoes or trainer style shoes (ones with moulded soles).

Shoes must not light up or flash.



Girls Summer Uniform

(compulsory for the Summer Term until the October half term break)



Blazer



Jumper



Summer Dress



Navy ankle socks with Jackson stripe



Boater*



Summer hat*
(for wearing in school)

Girls Winter Uniform



Blazer



Jumper



Tunic



White shirt



Tie*



Felt hat*



3/4 length navy socks with stripe or navy tights



Coat



Navy gloves*

Boys Summer Uniform

(compulsory for the Summer Term until the October half term break)



Blazer



Jumper



Navy shorts



White short sleeve shirt



Tie*



Navy ankle socks



Cap*



Summer hat*
(for wearing in school)

Boys Winter Uniform



Blazer



Jumper



Navy trousers



White long sleeve shirt



Tie*



Navy 3/4 or ankle socks



Cap*



Coat



Navy gloves*

Girls and Boys Sportswear



Tracksuit



Hoodie*



Polo shirt



Navy shorts



Girls skort



Trainers—plain black, navy
or white



Navy socks with Jackson
stripe*

School Bags



Rucksack



Sports bag



School Trip bag*

Winter Hats

(for wearing in school, not to and from school)



Navy beanie hat*

OR



Navy bobble hat*