

St. Peter's Catholic Primary School

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Mission Statement

Loving and learning together, with Jesus

School Uniform Policy

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1. Aims

This policy aims to:

Set out our approach to requiring a uniform that is of reasonable cost and offers the best value for money for parents and carers.

Explain how we will avoid discrimination in line with our legal duties under the Equality Act 2010

Clarify our expectations for school uniform

2. Legal Duties

Our school's legal duties under the Equality Act 2010 The Equality Act 2010 prohibits discrimination against an individual based on the protected characteristics, which include sex, race, religion or belief, and gender reassignment.

To avoid discrimination, our school will:

Avoid listing uniform items based on sex, to give all pupils the opportunity to wear the uniform they feel most comfortable in or that most reflects their self-identified gender

Make sure that our uniform costs the same for all pupils

Allow all pupils to have long hair (though we reserve the right to ask for this to be tied back)

Allow all pupils to style their hair in the way that is appropriate for school yet makes them feel most comfortable

Allow pupils to request changes to swimwear for religious reasons

Allow pupils to wear headscarves and other religious or cultural symbols

Allow for adaptations to our policy on the grounds of equality by asking pupils or their parents to get in touch with the School Office who will direct you to a member of the Senior Leadership Team who can answer questions about the policy and respond to any requests

3. Limiting the cost of school uniform

Our school has a duty to make sure that the uniform we require is affordable, in line with statutory guidance from the Department for Education on the cost of school uniform.

We understand that items with distinctive characteristics (such as branded items, or items that have to have a school logo or a unique fabric/colour/design) cannot be purchased from a wide range of retailers and that requiring many such items limits parents' ability to 'shop around' for a low price.

We will make sure our uniform:

Is available at a reasonable cost

Provides the best value for money for parents/carers

We will do this by:

Carefully considering whether any items with distinctive characteristics are necessary

Limiting any items with distinctive characteristics where possible

Limiting items with distinctive characteristics to low-cost or long-lasting items, such as ties

Considering cheaper alternatives to school-branded items, such as logos that can be ironed on, as long as this doesn't compromise quality and durability

Avoiding specific requirements for items pupils could wear on non-school days, such as coats, bags and shoes

Keeping the number of optional branded items to a minimum, so that the school's uniform can act as a social leveller

Avoiding different uniform requirements for different year/class/house groups

Avoiding different uniform requirements for extra-curricular activities

Making sure that arrangements are in place for parents to acquire second-hand uniform items

Avoiding frequent changes to uniform specifications and minimising the financial impact on parents of any changes

Consulting with parents and pupils on any proposed significant changes to the uniform policy and carefully considering any complaints about the policy

4. Expectations for school uniform

Please see **Appendix 1** for a complete list of uniform requirements for all year groups.

5. Expectations for our school community**Pupils**

Pupils are expected to wear the correct uniform at all times (other than specified non-school uniform days) while:

- On the school premises
- Travelling to and from school
- At out-of-school events or on trips that are organised by the school
- Where they are representing the school (if required)

Pupils are also expected to contact the school office if they want to request an amendment to the uniform policy in relation to their protected characteristics.

Parents and carers

Parents and carers are expected to make sure their child has the correct uniform and PE kit, and that every item is: clean, clearly labelled with the child's name and in good condition.

Parents are also expected to contact the Senior Leadership Team, via the school office, if they want to request an amendment to the uniform policy in relation to their child's protected characteristics and/or the cost of the uniform.

Parents are expected to lodge any complaints or objections relating to the school uniform in a timely and reasonable manner. Disputes about the cost of the school uniform will be resolved locally and dealt with in accordance with our school's complaints policy. The school will work closely with parents to arrive at a mutually acceptable outcome.

Staff

Staff will closely monitor pupils to make sure they are in correct uniform. They will give any pupils and families breaching the uniform policy, the opportunity to comply but will follow up with the parent if the situation doesn't improve. Ongoing breaches of our uniform policy will be dealt with by letters/uniform slips home to parents and for on-going breaches a follow up meeting with parents/carers. In cases where it is suspected that financial hardship has resulted in a pupil not complying with this uniform policy, staff will take a mindful and considerate approach to resolving the situation.

Governors

The governing board will review this policy and make sure that it:

Is appropriate for our school's context

Is implemented fairly across the school

Takes into account the views of parents and pupils

Offers a uniform that is appropriate, practical and safe for all pupils

The board will also make sure that the school's uniform supplier arrangements give the highest priority to cost and value for money, for example by avoiding single supplier contracts and by re-tendering contracts at least every 5 years.

6. Monitoring arrangements

This policy will be reviewed annually. At every review, it will be approved by the Governing Body.

APPENDIX 1**UNIFORM LIST**
RECEPTION CHILDREN

*School uniform is an important part of the school's character.
Parents are expected to support the school's uniform policy, without variation.*
(to be worn smartly)

WINTER UNIFORM To be worn in the Autumn term after the October half term until Easter break.

ITEM	COLOUR/STYLE	COMPULSORY/ OPTIONAL	RETAILER
St Peter's sweatshirt with School logo	Navy blue round neck	Compulsory	Red Oak Wear
Jogging bottoms	Navy blue, elasticated waist and cuffed ankles	Compulsory	Red Oak Wear / Any retailer
Polo shirt	White with collar	Compulsory	Red Oak Wear / Any retailer
Socks	Girls – Plain white, knee high or ankle Boys – Plain grey	Compulsory	Red Oak Wear / Any retailer
Black School shoes	Black and sensible – No boots, high heels or open toe. Not trainer style. Velcro fastening.	Compulsory	Red Oak Wear / Any retailer

SUMMER UNIFORM To be worn from the Summer term until October half term.

ITEM	COLOUR/STYLE	COMPULSORY/ OPTIONAL	RETAILER
St Peter's sweatshirt with logo	Navy blue round neck	Compulsory	Red Oak Wear
Jogging bottoms	Navy blue, elasticated waist and cuffed ankles	Compulsory	Red Oak Wear / Any retailer
Polo shirt	White with collar	Compulsory	Red Oak Wear / Any retailer
Shorts	Navy blue, elasticated, cotton. No tailored shorts	Compulsory	Red Oak Wear
Black School shoes	Black and sensible – No boots, high heels or open toe. Not trainer style. Velcro fastening.	Compulsory	Red Oak Wear / Any retailer

P.E KIT Please note that P.E. Kit is only to be worn into school on designated P.E days.

ITEM	COLOUR/STYLE	COMPULSORY/ OPTIONAL	RETAILER
St Peter's sweatshirt with logo	Navy blue round neck	Compulsory	Red Oak Wear
Jogging bottoms	Navy blue, elasticated waist and cuffed ankles	Compulsory	Red Oak Wear / Any retailer
P.E t-shirt	White, round neck	Compulsory	Red Oak Wear / Any retailer
P.E shorts	Navy shadow stripe, elasticated tie waist	Compulsory	Red Oak Wear / Any retailer
Plimsolls or trainers	Black and plain – Velcro fastening	Compulsory	Red Oak Wear / Any retailer

ALL YEAR ROUND

ITEM	COLOUR/STYLE	COMPULSORY/ OPTIONAL	RETAILER
Wellies	Any (to be left in school)	Compulsory	Any retailer
Coats/Jackets	Plain navy blue	Compulsory	Any retailer
Caps and Winter Hats	Plain navy blue or St Peter's cap/hat with logo	Compulsory	Red Oak Wear / Any retailer
Book bag	St Peter's School book bag – no rucksacks	Compulsory	Red Oak Wear
Hairbands, headbands and ribbons	Red in colour, simple and plain. No flowers or embellishments	Compulsory	Any retailer
Spare underwear, socks and jogging bottoms/shorts	Socks and bottoms to be provided as per school uniform requirements	Compulsory	Any retailer
St Peter's reversible fleece jacket	Navy blue with school logo	Optional	Red Oak Wear

- Please note children wear school sweatshirts in reception and **not** v-neck school jumpers.
- No earrings, retainers or tape-over ears.
- Nail varnish must not be worn at school.
- All long hair and hair longer than shoulder length, must be tied back. Haircuts to be sensible and tram lines cut into hair or eyebrows are not permitted.

All items of uniform and PE kit must be clearly labelled with your child's name.

Please include spare underwear and socks in case of accidents! These can be placed in the inside zip pocket of the children's book bag so that they are easily accessible.

A full order list is available from [Red Oak Wear](#) 4 Buckwins Square, Burnt Mills Ind. Estate, Basildon, Essex, SS13 1BJ T: 01268 725630 Option1 / E: orders@redoakwear.co.uk

UNIFORM LIST

YEARS 1-6

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ITEM	COLOUR/STYLE	COMPULSORY/ OPTIONAL	RETAILER
Box pleated skirt	Plain grey box pleat skirt. Pinafores or dresses are not permitted	Compulsory	Red Oak Wear
Long trousers	Plain grey, cotton	Compulsory	Red Oak Wear / Any retailer
Shirt	White, collared shirt. Short or long sleeves allowed	Compulsory	Red Oak Wear / Any retailer
V-neck jumper with School logo	Navy blue	Compulsory	Red Oak Wear
Tie	Plain red. Elastic tie for years 1-2. Standard tie for years 3-6	Compulsory	Red Oak Wear
Socks / tights	Girls: plain white, ankle or knee length Boys: plain grey Tights: plain red	Compulsory	Red Oak Wear / Any retailer
Black school shoes	Black and sensible – No boots, high heels or open toe. Not trainer style.	Compulsory	Red Oak Wear / Any retailer

SUMMER UNIFORM. To be worn from the Summer term until October half term.

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Summer dress	Red striped summer dress – uniform shop specific item	Compulsory	Red Oak Wear
Long trousers	Plain grey, cotton	Compulsory	Red Oak Wear / Any retailer
Shorts	Plain grey, cotton. No cargo shorts with pockets on the leg.	Compulsory	Red Oak Wear / Any retailer
Polo t-shirt	White cotton, collared shirt. Short sleeved	Compulsory	Red Oak Wear / Any retailer
V-neck jumper with School logo	Navy blue	Compulsory	Red Oak Wear
Socks	Girls: plain white, ankle or knee length Boys: plain grey	Compulsory	Red Oak Wear / Any retailer
Black School shoes	Black and sensible - no boots, high heels, open toe or sandals. Not trainer style.	Compulsory	Red Oak Wear / Any retailer

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St Peter's sweatshirt with logo	Navy blue round neck	Compulsory	Red Oak Wear
Jogging bottoms	Navy blue, elasticated waist and cuffed ankles. Leggings not permitted	Compulsory	Red Oak Wear / Any retailer
P.E t-shirt	White, round neck Skins not permitted under clothing	Compulsory	Red Oak Wear / Any retailer
P.E shorts	Navy shadow stripe, elasticated tie waist Skins not permitted under clothing	Compulsory	Red Oak Wear / Any retailer
Trainers	Plain white or black. No football boots.	Compulsory	Red Oak Wear / Any retailer

ALL YEAR ROUND.

ITEM	COLOUR/STYLE	COMPULSORY/ OPTIONAL	RETAILER
Coats/Jackets	Plain navy blue	Compulsory	Any retailer
Caps and Winter Hats	Plain navy blue or St Peter's cap/hat with logo	Compulsory	Red Oak Wear (school logo) or any retailer (plain navy blue)
Blazers with School logo	Navy blue with School logo	Optional	Red Oak Wear
Rucksack	St Peter's navy rucksack for years 1 & 2. Sensible rucksacks/school bags for years 3 - 6	Compulsory	Red Oak Wear
Hairbands, headbands and ribbons	Red in colour, simple and plain. No flowers or embellishments	Compulsory	Any retailer
St Peter's reversible fleece jacket	Plain in colour with school logo	Optional	Red Oak Wear
Jewellery	Watches must be analogue – Smart watches including Fitbits and Apple watches are NOT permitted in school. Any other jewellery is not permitted.	Optional	

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