



# Uniform Policy

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## Version Control

Date	Change
December 2013	Policy written by Headteacher to include clarified uniform/dress requirements.
April 2014	Policy agreed, by Staff & Governors, after minor amendments
June 2016	Minor amendments to shoes and 'Make-up and hair' section
February 2020	Insertion of new front page and Vision Statement. Amendments to Uniform availability section.
June 2022	Policy reviewed taken into account the recent government guidance. Policy is compliant, minor changes made to include annual review of costs and availability of second-hand uniform.
Sept 2023	Wording clarified and minor formatting changes.
Sept 2024	Policy reviewed to include headwear.

**At All Saints' we are 'Children of God'.  
We wear our crowns with pride.  
Together, we are Included, Involved and Inspired.**

- 24 Do you not know that in a race all the runners run, but only one gets the prize? Run in such a way as to get the prize.
- 25 Everyone who competes in the games goes into strict training. They do it to get a crown that will not last; but we do it to get a crown that will last forever.
- 26 So I run with purpose in every step.

*1 Corinthians 9: 24-26*

**Vision Statement**

*At All Saints' everyone is welcomed and **included**. Each individual is acknowledged and valued as an equal member of our school family and we form a community where we worship God together freely. We celebrate our inclusivity and are respectful of our differences.*

*Our emblem is a crown; we wear it with pride because it reminds us that we are working for a purpose. This means that we are **involved** in our learning and are determined to take whatever action is needed for us to be the best that we can be.*

*We seek a clearer understanding of the world and confidently imagine a better future. With our eyes fixed on this prize, we are **inspired** to be life-long learners and we want to inspire others too to make a difference in this world.*

**Together · Included · Involved · Inspired**



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## 1. Introduction

It is our school policy that all children wear school uniform when attending school, representing the school or when participating in a school-organised event outside normal school hours, unless parents are notified that other clothes are more suitable in particular circumstances.

## 2. Aims and Objectives

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

- creates a sense of community and belonging in the school and encourages children to feel proud of their school
- allows children to be identified as pupils of the school
- is smart, practical and suitable for school, designed with health and safety in mind
- makes children feel equal to their peers in terms of appearance and excludes fashion clothing that could be distracting to other pupils
- is good value for money (this is checked against alternative suppliers annually)

## 3. Uniform Requirements

- **white shirt, blouse or polo top**  
(short-sleeved tops are best when painting etc.)
- **grey or black trousers, skirt or pinafore dress; or tailored shorts in the summer**  
(not skinny trousers, jeans, tracksuit bottoms, leggings, jeggings or baggy long shorts, but grey or black leggings can be worn under trousers or skirts instead of tights)
- **royal blue sweatshirt or cardigan with school emblem**  
(please note: school fleeces are for outdoor wear only)
- **blue and white gingham dress in the summer** (optional)
- **grey, black or white socks or tights**  
(grey or black leggings can be worn under trousers or skirts instead of tights)
- **sensible black shoes that children can fasten themselves**  
(no trainers, high heels, flip-flops, open toed sandals or boots, including ankle boots. If children wear boots or wellies to school they must bring shoes to change into)
- **undergarments worn under shirts** (such as long-sleeved tops) need to be **white**
- **underpants** must be worn
- **no headwear** is to be worn except in exceptional circumstances (e.g. medical reasons). Hijabs may be worn on the way to and from school but not during the school day.

### **For PE:**

- **royal blue t-shirt with school emblem** or **plain white or royal blue t-shirt**
- **royal blue or black shorts**  
(not long, baggy fashion shorts. In cold weather, plain dark-coloured tracksuits can be worn for PE if desired)
- **plimsolls (or trainers for older pupils)**

### **Year 4 upwards:**

- **swimming costume**
- **swimming hats** are compulsory  
(**please note:** the School Swimming Service does NOT allow bikinis, cropped tops and shorts below the knee, and goggles can only be worn if we have a written request from the parent)

## **ALL CLOTHING AND POSSESSIONS MUST BE NAMED**

#### 4. Uniform Availability

Most items of school uniform can be bought from anywhere convenient for parents (e.g. supermarkets etc.). The royal blue sweatshirts, cardigans or PE t-shirts with our school emblem are purchased directly from our online supplier [www.brigade.uk.com](http://www.brigade.uk.com), who also stock other, optional, uniform items with our school emblem.

The only new items now available from the School Office are swimming hats (because these are not widely available in Newmarket).

Second-hand uniform is available from the School Office for a donation.

#### 5. Jewellery and Watches

We do not allow children to wear jewellery in our school for Health and Safety reasons. The exceptions to this rule are:

- earring studs or small hoops, but these must be removed for PE and Swimming, so if a child cannot remove them themselves, these must be removed at home before coming to school on PE / Swimming days. **We advise that any new ear piercing should be done at the beginning of the summer holidays, so that studs can be kept in for a full 6 weeks before the return to school.**
- watches: these must be traditional watches, not smart watches.

#### 6. Make-Up and Hair

Wearing of make-up to school is not permitted.

Long hair should be tied back for Health and Safety reasons; hair bands or bobbles etc. should be black, blue, brown, or white and plain and simple in design. **Fashion hair styles such as dyed or shaved sections, extensions, shaved patterns or ornate decorations are not permitted.**

#### 7. The Role of Parents

We ask all our parents to support the Uniform Policy. We believe that one of the responsibilities of parents is to ensure that their child has the correct uniform and that it is clean and in good repair, and parents have a duty to send their children to school correctly dressed and ready for their daily schoolwork. Children who do not have a PE kit will do PE in their school uniform and a letter will be sent home.

#### 8. Issues with School Uniform

The School welcomes children from all backgrounds and faith communities. If there are reasons (e.g. religious grounds) why parents want their child to wear non-school uniform clothes, they should arrange to discuss this with the Headteacher. If necessary, any issues can later be referred to the Governing Body.