



Saint Paul's Catholic High School

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UNIFORM POLICY



Journeying together with Jesus Christ, we learn to love and love to learn.

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School uniform plays a valuable role in contributing to the ethos of Saint Paul's Catholic High School. Our uniform identifies students as part of our Saint Paul's Catholic High School community and instils pride in it. Being appropriately dressed helps students to develop a positive mind set for learning and supports them in being successful learners.

It is compulsory that only those items stipulated within the Official School Uniform list (see Appendix A) are permissible to be worn by our students. The official school uniform must be worn by all students who are on roll at Saint Paul's Catholic High School at all times, without exception. The uniform policy applies to students attending off-site provision (including activities) and out of hours activities unless parents/carers are advised otherwise. Students who contravene the uniform policy will be sanctioned which could include being placed in isolation. Students who refuse to accept the consequence or an alternative replacement will be excluded from school.

Saint Paul's Catholic High School operates a zero tolerance approach to excessive jewellery and body piercings being worn by its students at any of the aforementioned times. Jewellery must not exceed a wristwatch and a small pair of studs/sleepers in the earlobe. Any other jewellery and body piercings will be confiscated by staff and stored securely. Students can collect these items at the end of the day. If a student has jewellery confiscated on more than two occasions, then parents / carers will be asked to come to school to collect these items and a further sanction will be issued.

Trainers are not permitted to be worn in the school except in PE practical sessions. Boots are not permitted under the school's uniform policy. However, at times of severe inclement weather the school may contact parents/carers and inform them that boots will be permitted within a specific timescale. Please note that the school will determine if and when this should occur.

All shoes must be black in colour. Footwear that is branded with a sports logo or name is also not permitted. Where students arrive at school in trainers or shoes that contravene this policy, students may be placed in isolation, or an alternative form of footwear may be offered enabling the student to remain in school and continue learning. Students who refuse to accept the consequence or refuse to wear the alternative footwear offered may be excluded from school.

Denim style black trousers and 'legging/jegging type trousers' are not acceptable school wear.

Furthermore, students are not permitted to attend school with an extreme hair style, including any form of pattern shaved into their heads/eyebrows, 'Mohican style haircuts', 'long top / short side' haircuts and unnatural colourings to their hair.

The school operates zero tolerance to students wearing make-up. The length of student's nails should also be kept to an acceptable minimum in respect of the Health and Safety requirements for practical activities such as Sports and Design Technology etc. Coloured nail polish/varnish or artificial nails are not permitted. Students will be given adequate time to resolve issues around hair, make-up and nails.

Continued failure to comply with any of the above rules will result in a sanction which could include isolation and/or a Fixed Term Exclusion until the issue has been resolved.

For religious reasons girls may wear a Hijab in maroon or black. This should be made of plain cotton with no embroidery, decoration, or fringing. It should be tied securely around the head and neck with the ends tucked in for health and safety reasons.

External coats/jackets are not to be worn inside the school building.

Appendix A Official School Uniform List

Boys

- Black trousers (no jeans or skinny jeans)
- Black school blazer with Saint Paul's logo
- Plain white shirt (no polo shirts or airtex sports top permitted)
- Black school V-neck jumper
- Plain black shoes (school shoes must not display any brand names or sports logo on the actual shoe- trainers of any description or colour are not permitted)
- School tie
- Socks – plain black
- Religious dress (plain maroon/black head covering)
- Jewellery and piercings - 1 small stud/sleeper in lower earlobe and wristwatch only (smart watches are not permitted)

Girls

- Kilts
- Tailored full length school trousers (no skinny/tight trousers or jeans, track suit bottoms, culottes, ski pants, leggings or jeggings)
- Black school blazer with Saint Paul's logo
- Plain white shirt (no polo shirts, blouses or airtex sports top permitted)
- Black school V-neck jumper
- Plain black shoes (school shoes must not display any brand names or sports logo on the actual shoe. Trainers of any description or colour are not permitted)
- School tie
- Socks - plain black (over the knee socks are not permitted).
- Tights (plain black)
- Religious dress (Hijab plainmaroon/ black)
- Jewellery and piercings - 1 pair of small studs/sleepers in lower earlobe and wristwatch only (smart watches are not permitted)

Students should bring a rucksack, suitable to carry their books (A4 size), writing equipment and sports kit for every lesson. All students are expected to take responsibility for their books and equipment.

PE Kit

Year 7 – 11 (Boys and Girls)

- Plain black socks
- Black shorts (Saint Paul's badge)
- Black polo shirt (Saint Paul's badge)
- Clean training shoes
- Football boots (outdoors – no metal studs)
- Shin pads

PE Kit Optional

- Plain black jogging bottoms (to be worn at the discretion of the teacher)
- Saint Paul's plain black sweatshirt
- Saint Paul's badged, black PE Department fleece
- Saint Paul's badged, black PE Department training top
- Plain black waterproof
- Black skort (Saint Paul's badge)
- Black running tights (Saint Paul's badge)

The Following Items are Not Permitted in School:

- Baseball caps
- Training shoes (outside of PE lesson)
- Boots
- Canvas trainers
- Hooded tops and hooded sweaters
- Denim skirts, jeans and jackets or leather jackets
- Culottes, cargo pants or track suits
- Shaved heads or extreme hairstyles.
- Make up and nail varnish or artificial nails
- Jewellery other than watches (smart watches are not permitted) and a single stud/sleeper in each ear lobe.

All Students in Year 7 to 11 are required to wear full uniform.

We have zero tolerance policy towards incorrect uniform. The school uniform has been designed to be inexpensive and is available from Debonair, Civic Centre, Wythenshawe.

Monitoring, Evaluation and Review

The school will review this policy and assess its implementation and effectiveness. The policy will be promoted and implemented throughout the school.