

# **Uniform Policy**

This policy was drawn up following consultation with parents, B.O.M. and staff. It was circulated to parents and is now available on the school website. It is reviewed on a regular basis.

#### Rational

We believe the school uniform is important as it

- identifies pupils as part of the school community.
- reminds pupils that they are representing their school while wearing it.
- reminds them they are at school and therefore need to work to the best of their ability.
- reminds them that a high standard of behavior is expected of them.

It is hoped that pupils will wear their school uniform with pride.

### **Relationship to Characteristic Spirit of School**

Our school ethos endeavors to include and accept pupils from all social backgrounds and to instill in them a sense of belonging and high self esteem. We believe wearing a uniform assists in this aim.

#### **Aims**

- To promote inclusion of pupils from all social backgrounds.
- To minimize or eliminate pressure to conform to fashion trends of peer groups.
- To instill a sense of pride in our school and a sense of belonging.
- To protect children on school outings and facilitate easy recognition by teachers of our pupils.
- To encourage pupils to represent our school with pride and dignity.
- To facilitate parents who believe the uniform is appropriate.

## Uniform

The school uniform consists of wine jumper/cardigan and grey skirt/trousers with white or grey shirt/blouse, and wine tie. Girls wear wine/grey tights. Ties need not be worn except on special occasions.

The school tracksuit top is navy, with red, yellow and green horizontal stripes on the upper half. It is worn over a red polo shirt. The tracksuit bottom is navy in the same material as the top. Parents are asked to note that navy tracksuit tops with green, red and yellow colouring and zip up front is not acceptable as part of our school tracksuit.



Tracksuits are worn on P.E. days — (including swimming days and when games coaches attend the school). Class teachers will indicate days when tracksuits are to be worn. On all other days school uniform should be worn.

Wine jumpers, cardigans and red polo shirts bear the school crest. A crest is available in the school and may be purchased and added to these items or they can be embroidered on by a local lady. Otherwise parents may purchase them with a crest already included.

Summer time: Pupils may wear grey shorts in fabric similar to school uniform with their red polo shirt. Other summer clothing is not acceptable.

#### **Success Criteria**

Pupils wearing their school uniform with pride.

## Responsibilities

<u>Parents:</u> To ensure correct uniform is purchased and worn by their children. Uniforms should have child's name clearly marked on it.

<u>Pupils:</u> To wear the uniform and to behave in a responsible manner while wearing it. To be responsible for their own uniform and not lose items or leave them thrown around the school.