

Uniform and Appearance Policy St Aloysius' College

The correct wearing of uniform and the general appearance of pupils are very important matters. The pupils of St Aloysius' College take the reputation of the school with them wherever they go in uniform and it is therefore vital that our uniform is always worn appropriately and with dignity.

School uniform serves to shelter children and young people from the ever-changing demands of fashion by ensuring a level of uniformity, equality and belonging. It promotes a positive learning environment and high expectations. It also means there is less of a socioeconomic distinction that can be made between pupils.

These principles are the rationale behind the following standards which we expect from all pupils.

Senior School

- **Blazers** are to be worn to assembly, church, when moving from class to class and travelling to and from school.
- **Shirts** are to be tucked in; collars and **ties** are to be done up. Revere collar shirts are an acceptable option.
- Socks are to be plain mid-grey. Tights are to be black.
- **Trousers** are to be mid-grey and tailored (not dark grey, charcoal or black). **Skirts** are to be mid-grey 8-box pleated and at least knee length.
- Shoes are to be black, plain, formal and polished; boots are not permitted except when there is: snow or icy conditions but a change of shoes should be worn indoors; **NB black trainers-style shoes are not acceptable as College Uniform.**

- If a scarf is worn it is to be the approved school scarf available from the school outfitters, or black, green, grey.
- Any other items of clothing (coats, hats, gloves, hair accessories) are to conform in colour (dark green, grey, black) and style so as to be compatible with and not detract from the school uniform.
- Bags should be plain and of dark colour. S1-S3 pupils must have the College kit bag for games.
- Jewellery is not to be worn (including wrist bands, bracelets and rings), plain stud in the lobe of each ear is permitted
- Hair should be tidy and of natural colour. Extremely short cropped hair is not acceptable (#1 and #2 cuts are not acceptable). Long hair should be tied back in practical subjects or for health & safety reasons. Facial hair should be neatly trimmed.
- **Make-up** is not to be worn at all in S1-S3. In S4-S6 make-up may be worn provided it is natural and minimal. Eye makeup, fake tan and nail polish are not permitted for S1 to S6.
- **Games and PE kit** are to be worn as indicated in the uniform lists; pupils are strictly forbidden to wear items of clothing in the colours and style of any professional football team, at any time.
- House ties are to be worn. School badges, Colours and Awards are part of school uniform.
- All school clothing is to be clearly **marked** with the owner's name.

Junior School

- **Blazers** are to be worn to assembly, church, when moving from class to class and travelling to and from school, including sports fixtures.
- **Shirts** are to be tucked in; collars and ties are to be done up. Revere collar shirts are an acceptable option.
- **Socks** are to be plain mid-grey or green. Tights are to be black.
- **Trousers and shorts** are to be plain mid-grey (not dark grey, charcoal or black). Pinafore at least knee length P1-P3 (mid-grey; plain bib front; square cut neck; 12-box pleated). Skirt at least knee length P4-P7 (mid-grey 8-box pleated).
- **P1-P7 summer uniform** from May to September Option 1: green & white candy-stripe summer dress; plain white ankle socks or Option 2: College gold polo shirt; plain mid-grey shorts or trousers, skirt or pinafore; plain grey ankle socks.
- **Shoes** are to be black, plain, formal and polished; boots are not permitted except when there is snow or icy conditions but a change of shoes should be worn indoors; NB black trainers-style shoes are not acceptable as College Uniform.

- If a **scarf** is worn it is to be the approved school scarf available from the school outfitters, or black, green, grey.
- Any other items of clothing (coats, hats, gloves, hair accessories) are to conform in colour and style (dark green, grey, black) so as to be compatible with and not detract from the school uniform.
- Bags should be plain and of dark colour with no logos.
- Pupils are encouraged to purchase the **school rucksack** for all classes. All bags should be plain and of a dark colour with no logos. P4-P7 pupils must have the College kit bag for games.
- **Jewellery** is not to be worn (including wrist bands, bracelets and rings), one plain stud in the lobe of each ear is permitted.
- **Hair** should be tidy and of natural colour. Extremely short cropped hair is not acceptable (#1 and #2 cuts are not acceptable). Long hair should be tied back.
- Games and PE kit are to be worn as indicated in the uniform lists; pupils are strictly
 forbidden to wear items of clothing in the colours and style of any professional football
 team.
- **School badges** are part of school uniform. Schola ties and Schola medals are to be worn on certain special occasions.
- All school clothing is to be clearly marked with the owner's name.

Kindergarten

- College gold polo shirt
- Junior School Sweatshirt
- Mid-grey shorts or pinafore skirt (mid-grey, plain bib front 12 square cut neck pleats all the way round)
- Grey **socks** with school colours
- Black shoes
- Black slip-on plimsoles (no dark soles)
- College green joggers (for physical activities)
- College storm-proof **coat** (Optional)

PE boot bag

Summer Uniform (May-Sept)

- College gold polo shirt
- Mid-grey shorts or pinafore with mid-grey ankle socks or green and white candy stripe summer dress with white ankle socks.

Notes for Parents on Kindergarten Uniform

- School uniforms are available from school outfitters
- A tie is not worn with the Kindergarten uniform.
- Shorts are to be plain and mid-grey
- Socks are to be the official grey school socks with college colours around the tops. Your child may choose to wear green tights instead.
- The green joggers are part of the uniform and should only be worn on PE days.
- Shoes are to be plain, black and formal. Shoes for Kindergarten pupils should be easy to fasten by the child (such as by Velcro straps).
- Outdoor coats green storm-proof coats with college logo are available, or plain (no logos), in school colours (dark green, grey, or black) and suitable for school wear.
 Please note that our Kindergarten pupils will spend lots of time in the outdoor environment as part of their learning experience.
- Any other items of clothing (hats, gloves, hair accessories) are to conform in colour (dark green, grey, black) and style so as to be compatible with and not detract from the school uniform.
- Summer uniform is optional and may be worn in warm days between May and September. Pupils should not wear summer uniform on cold days when jumpers or other clothing is needed.

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