

# **ST. ANNE'S CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL FOR GIRLS**



## **UNIFORM AND APPEARANCE POLICY**

**Statutory**

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## **MISSION STATEMENT**

St. Anne's Catholic High School for Girls will offer a positive presence in Enfield with a comprehensive curriculum equipping students with the ability to meet the challenges of the 21st Century confidently and with high spiritual and moral standards.

We recognise that students, parents, staff and governors make up the school's community which will continually self-evaluate to improve itself effectively and efficiently in all aspects of its growth.

**'Act justly, love tenderly, walk humbly with your God.'**

## **Aims**

At St. Anne's, our Catholic ethos calls us to take pride in ourselves and our community, reflecting respect, discipline, and unity in all that we do. Wearing the school uniform with care is an outward sign of these values, reinforcing the dignity of every student and creating a strong sense of belonging. As a school with high expectations, we believe that maintaining a smart and consistent appearance promotes self-discipline and prepares students for success in their future endeavours.

We ask all our families to support their daughter in adhering to this policy by ensuring they wear the full school uniform at all times, including on the journey to and from school. To encourage responsibility, all uniform items should be clearly labelled with the student's name and class. In keeping with our commitment to student well-being, the Headteacher will assess weather conditions and may implement 'Summer Uniform' when necessary.

## **Dress Code**

**Blazer:** Must be worn to and from school at all times and around the school building. A school coat may be worn but students are NOT permitted to wear short fashion jackets and NO leather, hooded or denim jackets are permitted.

**Kilt:** Must be worn to an acceptable length (on the knee) and never rolled up.

**Blouse:** Students are required to wear a white reversed collared blouse, which should be neatly tucked into the waist of the kilt.

**Trousers:** Navy trousers with the St. Anne's wording.

**School Jumper/Cardigan:** Navy blue, V-neck jumper

**Socks/Tights:** Navy or black socks up to the knee (not over the knee or ankle socks) or navy or black tights. No combination of socks and tights together.

**Shoes:** Low-heeled, plain black shoes, No boots or boot like styles are allowed. Canvas shoes or trainers are also not allowed

**School bag:** Must be appropriate to facilitate the carrying of equipment for school. Small bags that do not fit this purpose are not permitted.

## **Summer Uniform**

**Blazer:** While wearing the school blazer is **not** compulsory, please note that no alternative jacket is allowed. Students should not substitute the school blazer with hooded, denim or fashion jackets.

**Kilt:** It is important to wear the kilt without turning or rolling the waistband to adjust the length. The kilt must not be shorter than 5 centimeters above the knee.

**Blouse:** Students are required to wear a white reverse collared blouse, which should be neatly tucked into the waist of the kilt.

**Trousers:** Navy trousers with the St. Anne's wording.

**School Jumper or Cardigan:** Although not mandatory, students may choose to wear a navy jumper or cardigan.

**Socks/Tights:** Students should wear navy or black socks up to the knee (not over the knee or ankle) or navy or black tights.

**Shoes:** Black formal low-heeled shoes are to be worn by all students. Canvas, suede or fabric shoes, black ballet shoes, plimsolls, black trainers, or boots are not acceptable.

Please note that the uniform code applies at all times, including during travel to and from school.

### **PE Kit**

**Compulsory Polo Shirt:** St. Anne's Polo Shirt with School Logo

**Tracksuit Top:** St. Anne's tracksuit top with School Logo

**Jogging bottoms:** Plain navy blue, no logo/brand label

**Socks:** Plain navy blue knee length socks OR plain white ankle socks (these may be branded)

**Optional:** Plain navy blue shorts for summer (no logo / brand label)

**Footwear:** Sports trainers (or other appropriate footwear for the activity, football boots for rugby, hockey, lacrosse and football are highly recommended for safety). 'grip' socks recommended for dance/gymnastics (the type used in trampoline parks). The following footwear is not permitted, as they do not offer adequate support

### **Sixth Form Students**

**Safe** – e.g. no flipflops/sliders or high heels (not suitable for walking around the building);

**Inoffensive** means no rude/offensive slogans/images;

**Practical** means suitable wear for the weather conditions and for the activities you will be taking part in e.g. long nails not suitable for stitching by hand;

Remember that you will be representing our school when you are out and about in the community – this puts a responsibility on you to look **presentable** i.e. neat and tidy e.g. no ripped jeans, no visible underwear, no balaclavas

All outdoor clothing including hats must be removed when inside the building.

## **Personal Appearance**

**Halo Code:** Our school champions the right of staff and students to embrace all Afro-hairstyles. We acknowledge that Afro-textured hair is an important part of our Black staff and students' racial, ethnic, cultural, and religious identities, and requires specific styling for hair health and maintenance.

**Headscarves/Hair wraps:** Should only be worn for protective and religious purposes, and not as a fashion statement, and therefore must not be excessive in style, have a design or patterns. They need to be plain black, navy, or burgundy to be in line with the school dress code.

### **Jewellery and Accessories:**

<b>Not Approved</b>	<b>Approved</b>
Wristbands	Single studs including diamante
Rings	Religious item on a thin necklace
Nose rings	Watch (not smart)
Fake eyelashes	Other religious items should be checked with A
Multiple earrings	
Smart Watches	
Large religious items on a necklace	

### **Temporary exemptions to the Uniform Code**

Requests for temporary exemptions to the uniform policy must be made in writing to the student's Learning Support Coordinator by a parent/carer.

### **Financial Hardship**

Families experiencing financial hardship who require support with the financing of school uniform should put their requests for assistance in writing to the Headteacher.

### **References**

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/school-uniform/school-uniforms>

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/cost-of-school-uniforms/cost-of-school-uniforms>

### **Link to other policies**

This Policy links to the following Policies:

- Positive Behaviour for Learning Policy

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