



HOLY CROSS SCHOOL UNIFORM POLICY

This policy has been drawn up through a collaborative process involving the Parents' Association, School Staff and Board of Management.

It is important that our children learn to present themselves appropriately. A neat and tidy school uniform helps children to understand the importance of presentation and helps them develop their self-esteem and self-confidence.

The highest standard of personal appearance is expected at all times as it represents the standards set by our school for our children.

Holy Cross Parents Association along with the Board of Management, Principal and teachers endeavour to maintain the highest of standards in matters of dress code and personal appearance for all pupils in the school.

Accordingly, parents must ensure that pupils comply with these standards in matters of general appearance, dress, hairstyles and jewellery at all times during the school term.

The school uniform is worn on all school days unless parents are notified in advance of a change.

It is understandable that from time to time a child may come to school without the correct uniform due to unforeseen circumstances. In this case the child should bring a written note to school explaining the reason for not having the correct uniform. Any child who comes to school without the correct uniform and without a note from parents twice in one week will be given a white card – see School Code of Conduct (parents of children in Infants Classes will be contacted through the usual channels).

Every child should be encouraged to take responsibility for his/her own appearance:

- **Boys**

Grey Trousers

White Polo Shirt

School Jumper with Holy Cross crest

Black school shoes and grey socks

School jacket/Coat

PE days:

Navy Holy Cross Track Suit top and bottoms

Trainers/Runners

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- **Girls**

Grey Pinafore/skirt/trousers

White Polo Shirt

School Jumper with Holy Cross crest

Black school shoes and grey or white socks or grey or white tights

School jacket/Coat

PE days: Navy Holy Cross crested track suit top and bottoms

Trainers/Runners

During the summer navy Holy Cross crested shorts may be worn.

- Jewellery: no neck-chains, long earrings, bangles, bracelets or finger rings are allowed for safety reasons. One stud ear ring may be worn in each ear.
- Hair must be kept out of the eyes at all times and long hair must be tied back.
- Unorthodox/unusual hairstyles including artificial hair colour are not allowed. Hair should be a single natural colour
- For boys – collar length hair or shorter hair cuts are considered acceptable.
- Make-up and nail varnish are not permitted.
- The designated school uniform must be worn by pupils during the school day.
- Shoes should be black shoes which can (and should) be polished.
- The school jacket must be worn by children.
- There are over 280 children in the school wearing the school uniform. In order that your child does not lose his/her jumper/track suit/jacket please ensure that all items are clearly labeled with your child's name.
- Suppliers contacts: The School WearHouse, Ballyogan, Sandyford, Dublin. (close to Luas stop in Ballyogan) <http://www.schoolwearhouse.ie>

If for any reason your child is not wearing the correct school uniform please send a note to school explaining the reason (as per school rules).
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