

School Uniform Policy

"We are ambassadors for Christ". (2 Cor 5:20)

Our school has a proud reputation within the City of Birmingham and beyond. Whenever students wear our uniform they represent every past and present pupil of St Paul's. Therefore they must always conduct themselves with the utmost decorum, and good grace; behaving as young ladies in speech, manner and personal appearance.

Compulsory Uniform in Years 7 to 11 (all items must be clearly marked with the student's name).

Footwear

Plain black shoes must be worn in school and these must be low heeled. **Trainers** or **Canvas shoes are not allowed.** Boots should not be worn in school unless instructed otherwise due to bad weather conditions.

Plain unpatterned black or navy tights must be worn.

Navy or black knee length socks can be worn in summer (no ankle socks and no socks above the knee are permitted to be worn).

Uniform

Plain black or navy coats only. Coats with logos or made of denim, leather or leather-look are not acceptable.

Coats must not be worn around school by any pupil.

St Paul's navy four gore skirt. The skirt has no split and should be worn just above the knee. It must not be rolled up. This skirt must be purchased from our recognised uniform suppliers.

White (blue in Year 11) open-necked, short-sleeved blouse with slit at the side of the hem.

Navy pullover with V shaped neck with school colours at neck, cuff and waistband. Pupils who wear incorrect uniform on more than 5 occasions will be placed on uniform report.

In the event of non-uniform days/trips and activities, pupils must take advice from staff about suitable clothes and footwear.

Sixth Form pupils must dress as if attending a work place. They must be mindful of their position as role models for younger pupils.

Personal Appearance

In the interest of safety and general good order around the school the following rules must be kept:

Long hair must be completely tied back at all times. This is in the interest of hygiene, health and safety.

Jewellery may not be worn, except for a small stud in the lobe of the ear and a wristwatch. The jewellery must be removed for PE.

Ear piercing must be done at the start of the summer holidays in preparation for school and to allow the ears time to heal so that earrings can be removed for PE. Nose, tongue, lip and eyebrow studs are not permitted.

Make up, nail varnish, or fake nails must not be worn in Years 7 to 11.



Pupils in these year groups will be asked to remove make up and nail varnish immediately on arrival at school by their Form Tutors.

Hair must be one colour which is natural looking.

No extreme styles or colours are acceptable.

Hair braided with different colours is not permitted.

Pupils will be asked to have coloured braids or coloured hair restored to their natural colour immediately. (See Head of Year).

Only small telescopic umbrellas must be used.

Bags should be large enough to carry books safely.

It is our policy to support our pupils to follow the rules of school and so we have a small supply of items of uniform available.