

# ST EDMUND'S CATHOLIC SCHOOL, PORTSMOUTH

## GOVERNORS' POLICY ON SCHOOL UNIFORM

### *THE SCHOOL MISSION STATEMENT*

*I can do all things with the help of God who strengthens me.*

*Philippians (4:13)*

## **INTRODUCTION**

School uniform creates a sense of belonging and gives us a clear identity to unite behind, which we can then promote pride in. This pride helps us raise standards. The staff and governors of the school believe that wearing a uniform helps to raise both standards in academic work and behaviour. It also increases our presence in the Community.

### **Aims**

- To raise standards by promoting pride in our School
- To create a sense of community
- To promote health and safety by wearing suitable clothes for their activities
- To promote safety by making pupils instantly recognisable when out of school

### **Provision**

The School runs its own Uniform Shop. This allows the School to decide on what suppliers to use taking into account price, quality and service provided. These suppliers are kept under constant review and are changed if Best Value is not being met.

By the shop being on the School premises it means pupils and parents have access to it during the school day. It is also open after school and during the summer holidays.

The School asks that parents support the School Uniform Policy by ensuring that pupils wear the correct uniform and that it is clean and in good condition.

### **Sanctions**

If the correct uniform is not worn, the pupil will be removed from class and the parent will be contacted so as to provide the correct uniform. For persistent offenders a detention will be issued and a letter will be sent home. Further failure to comply with the Uniform Policy will result in parents being asked to make an appointment with the Headteacher to try and resolve the matter.

### **Review**

The policy will be kept under constant review. It was last reviewed in June 2009.

## The School Uniform

<p><b>Key Stage 3 Girls</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Bottle green blazer with the School badge</li> <li>• Green and White striped blouse</li> <li>• Bottle green skirt of appropriate length</li> <li>• Black trousers of the approved school style</li> <li>• Black or neutral tights to be worn with skirts, black socks with trousers</li> <li>• Bottle green jumper with the School badge (optional)</li> </ul>	<p><b>Key Stage 3 Boys</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Bottle green blazer with the School badge</li> <li>• Clip on tie</li> <li>• White School shirt</li> <li>• Black trousers</li> <li>• Black or dark grey socks</li> <li>• Bottle green jumper with the School badge (optional)</li> </ul>
<p><b>Key Stage 4 Girls</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Black blazer with the School badge</li> <li>• Multi striped blouse</li> <li>• Bottle green skirt of appropriate length</li> <li>• Black trousers of the approved school style</li> <li>• Black or neutral tights to be worn with skirts, black socks with trousers</li> <li>• Black jumper with the School badge (optional)</li> </ul>	<p><b>Key Stage 4 Boys</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Black blazer with the School badge</li> <li>• Traditional School tie</li> <li>• White School shirt</li> <li>• Black trousers</li> <li>• Black or dark grey socks</li> <li>• Black jumper with the School badge (optional)</li> </ul>
<p><b>PE Kit</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Gold St Edmund's polo shirt</li> <li>• Plain black shorts</li> <li>• School kit socks</li> <li>• One piece swimming costume OR swimming trunks/shorts in black or navy</li> <li>• Black or white trainers</li> <li>• St Edmund's School tracksuit (optional)</li> </ul>	
<p><b>Outdoor Wear</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Plain black shoes. These should be appropriate for School use and this rules out raised heels, casual and fashion shoes, trainers and boots.</li> <li>• Outdoor coats should be plain navy, black or bottle green. Leather, denim and suede coats are not permitted.</li> <li>• Scarves must be plain navy, black or bottle green.</li> </ul>	
<p><b>Art and Technology</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A plain coloured overall or apron.</li> </ul>	

### **Hair, Make-Up and Jewellery**

- Hair must be kept clean and tidy and of reasonable length. Exaggerated and coloured hairstyles are not permitted; this includes hairstyles which are deemed by the Headteacher to be excessively long or short.
- Hair styling products and accessories are not permitted under Health and Safety grounds.
- Make-up and nail varnish are not permitted.
- Pupils may wear the following jewellery only:
  - A watch
  - A crucifix underneath the shirt / blouse
  - A maximum of one small gold/silver stud earring in each earlobe
  - Badges that the School has awarded