



ST BEDE'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL & NURSERY



UNIFORM INFORMATION BOOKLET



“Shine like a lantern in the presence of the Lord.”

Thank you for working in partnership with us by supporting our uniform requirements.

If you have any queries, please write to your child's class teacher or speak to the office staff.

Why does the school insist on all pupils wearing the same school uniform?

Our school uniform is very important to us. It is one way in which we identify ourselves as a school family and it promotes a strong, cohesive school identity which supports high standards and expectations in all areas of school life. It promotes harmony between different groups represented in the school, and it enhances security, assisting the school to identify individual pupils in order to maintain good order.

Where can I buy my child's uniform from?

We have two uniform shops which sell our official uniform items:

Lucilla's, Cranbrook Road, Ilford (0208 554 5133); and
Rupens, Meads Lane (off Barley Lane) (0208 590 3734)

Do I have to buy it from there?

In order to comply with our uniform policy, please purchase items from one of our official suppliers. If you do want to purchase items from elsewhere, you must either first visit the official shops and view the items or see the photos on the school website to ensure they are the same as the ones you would like to purchase.

What will happen if my child's uniform does not comply with the uniform requirements?

A polite reminder will be sent home and you will be expected to replace the items which do not adhere to our uniform policy. If you are in any doubt with regard to the items you need to purchase, please either write to your child's class teacher or speak to the office staff. As indicated above, we have photographs of the correct uniform on our school website. If the problem is not rectified by the parent, the child will be taught in isolation until it is. The school decides what is acceptable or not.

Uniform for Reception

WINTER UNIFORM (September to Easter Break)

BOYS	GIRLS
Short sleeved white shirt Mid-grey long trousers without turn ups Plain royal blue v neck jumper Elasticated school tie Short dark grey socks	Short sleeve white blouse (plain sleeve, no frills/gathering) Plain mid-grey pinafore with knife pleats, drop waist Plain royal blue cardigan (no frills or bows) Elasticated school tie Plain white socks (knee length, no frills) or grey/white tights

SUMMER UNIFORM (Easter Break to July)

BOYS	GIRLS
White Polo Shirt with School logo badge Mid-grey trousers or shorts without turn ups Plain royal blue v neck jumper Short dark grey socks	Summer Dress – ‘A’ line royal blue and white striped dress, buttoned/zipped to the waist only (no gathering at waist) Plain royal blue cardigan (no frills or bows) Plain white socks (knee length or ankle (no frills)) or plain grey/white tights if the weather is chilly

Uniform for Year 1

WINTER UNIFORM (September to Easter Break)

BOYS	GIRLS
Short or long-sleeved white shirt Mid-grey long trousers without turn ups Plain royal blue v neck jumper Elasticated school tie Short dark grey socks	Short or long-sleeved white blouse (plain sleeve, no frills/gathering) Plain mid-grey pinafore with knife pleats, drop waist Plain royal blue cardigan Elasticated school tie Plain white socks (knee length, no frills) or grey/white tights

SUMMER UNIFORM (Easter Break to July)

BOYS	GIRLS
White Polo Shirt with School logo badge Mid-grey trousers or shorts without turn ups Plain royal blue v neck jumper Short dark grey socks	Summer Dress – ‘A’ line royal blue and white striped dress, buttoned/zipped to the waist only (no gathering at waist) Plain royal blue cardigan (no frills or bows) Plain white socks (knee length or ankle (no frills))

Uniform for Year 2

WINTER UNIFORM (September to Easter Break)

BOYS	GIRLS
Short or long-sleeved white shirt Mid-grey long trousers without turn ups Plain royal blue v neck jumper Non-elasticated school tie Short dark grey socks	Short or long-sleeved white blouse (plain sleeve, no frills/gathering) Plain mid-grey pinafore with knife pleats, drop waist Plain royal blue cardigan Non-elasticated school tie Plain white socks (knee length, no frills) or grey/white tights

SUMMER UNIFORM (Easter Break to July)

BOYS	GIRLS
White Polo Shirt with School logo badge Mid-grey trousers or shorts without turn ups Plain royal blue v neck jumper Short dark grey socks	Summer Dress – ‘A’ line royal blue and white striped dress, buttoned/zipped to the waist only (no gathering at waist) Plain royal blue cardigan (no frills or bows) Plain white socks (knee length or ankle (no frills))

Uniform for Years 3, 4, 5 and 6

WINTER UNIFORM (September to Easter Break)

BOYS	GIRLS
Short or long-sleeved white shirt Mid-grey long trousers without turn ups Plain royal blue v neck jumper Non-elasticated school tie Short dark grey socks	Short or long-sleeved white blouse (plain sleeve, no frills/gathering) Plain mid-grey box pleat knee length skirt Plain royal blue cardigan Non-elasticated school tie Plain white socks (knee length, no frills) or grey/white tights

SUMMER UNIFORM (Easter Break to July)

BOYS	GIRLS
White Polo Shirt with School logo badge Mid-grey trousers or shorts without turn ups Short dark grey socks Plain royal blue v neck jumper	Choice of: white, open necked, short sleeved blouse (see above) with mid-grey box pleat knee length skirt or Summer Dress (see above) Plain royal blue cardigan (no frills or bows) Plain white socks (knee length or ankle (no frills))

PE KIT FOR BOYS AND GIRLS (ALL YEAR GROUPS)

Plain white round necked T-shirt

Plain royal blue school tracksuit

Plain royal blue school shorts

Ankle socks (no frills) (very important as plimsolls/trainers should not be worn without socks)

Black plimsolls (for indoor PE)

Trainers (not canvas type shoes e.g. Converse) must be worn for outdoor PE.

Rec and Y1 – trainers must have velcro fastening instead of laces. If your child is in Y2, Y3, Y4, Y5 or Y6 and cannot tie their laces, they must also have trainers with a velcro fastening. Your child's trainers will be sent home if they are unable to tie them up themselves. We appreciate your support with this

PE bag in house colour: St Andrew's – blue, St George's – red, St Patrick's –

green, St David's – yellow

Please ensure your child's PE bag contains spare socks and underwear

It is not school policy to wear tights or jumpers for PE if the weather is cold

COATS (ALL YEAR GROUPS)

Plain, navy coat or waterproof jacket (without logos e.g. Adidas/Nike) or school jacket with school badge from Rupens

School blazer with school badge can be worn at any time during the year

Fur around the hood is permitted

No fleeces of any kind should be worn on their own

SHOES (ALL YEAR GROUPS)

Completely flat, plain, black shoes with no hidden toys, coloured tabs or illuminations. No ankle or knee length boots are allowed.

In Reception and Year 1 shoes with Velcro fastenings only please. From Year 2 children can wear shoes with buckles and laces; please ensure that your child can tie them up themselves, otherwise you should retain shoes with velcro fastenings.

Please ensure all items of your child's clothing are labelled with their name. This can either be by use of name labels (available on line in either sew in or iron on versions) or by writing your child's name in the clothing label with a laundry pen (available from local shops). Unlabelled clothes are almost impossible to return to the owner due to lack of identification.

HAIR (ALL YEAR GROUPS)

We do not allow unusual hairstyles (e.g. tram lines/steps/stripes/motifs/Mohawks/Mohicans/coloured hair extensions etc). Beads are not permitted in any part of the hair

All hair (in any style) that is longer than the length of the shirt collar must be completely tied back at all times

Hairbands; hair ties; small ribbons (no diamantes or other decoration) and clips must be plain white, royal or navy blue. Hair bows must be small – we do not allow oversized bows embellished with decorations/diamantes (e.g. Jo Jo Siwa style)

ACCESSORIES (ALL YEAR GROUPS)

Cold weather

Winter school woollen hats with school name/badge (these are available to purchase from the school office as well as the uniform suppliers)

Royal blue gloves

Royal blue school scarf

Hot weather

Royal blue summer cap, preferably with the school name and/or badge on it
Sunglasses may be worn during break times

Book Bags

Reception and Nursery pupils should only have a book bag with a velcro fastening as they find it too difficult to open the larger ones with plastic toggle fastenings

Years 1 to 6 can have the larger book bags with the plastic toggle fastenings.
No accessories or stickers permitted on the uniform book bag or lunch boxes

PE Bags

These should be official school PE bags in the colour of your child's house

Jewellery and Make-up

No jewellery (including earrings*) but watches can be worn from Year 3

No make-up of any kind is permitted (including nail varnish/false nails)

** If your child wishes to have their ears pierced, we recommend this is done at the start of the Summer holiday in order that they can heal and then be taken out each morning before school*

Water Bottles

Please send your child (in Years 1-6) to school with a water bottle (sports style ones are preferred) every day. The bottle should be refilled with fresh water each morning at home. This will ensure your child remains hydrated throughout the day. Pupils in Reception will be provided with a water bottle which is refilled in class each morning.

Details regarding Nursery uniform can be found in the Information for Nursery Parents.