



ST BEDE'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL & NURSERY



UNIFORM INFORMATION BOOKLET

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“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) – on-line via <http://www.lucillaschoolwear.co.uk/>; 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 our 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.

Uniform for Reception and Year 1

WINTER UNIFORM

BOYS	GIRLS
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Short sleeved white shirt• Mid-grey long trousers without turn ups• Plain royal blue v neck jumper• Elasticated school tie• Short dark grey socks	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Short sleeve white blouse (plain sleeve, no frills/gathering)• Plain mid-grey pinafore with knife pleats, drop waist OR plain mid-grey box pleat knee length skirt OR Mid-grey long trousers without turn ups• Plain royal blue cardigan (no frills or bows)• <u>Elasticated school tie</u>• Plain white socks (knee length or ankle (no frills)) or plain grey/white tights if the weather is chilly

SUMMER UNIFORM

BOYS	GIRLS
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 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	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Summer Dress – ‘A’ line royal blue and white striped dress, buttoned/zipped to the waist only (no gathering at waist) OR shorts without turn ups• 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 2

WINTER UNIFORM

BOYS	GIRLS
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 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	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Short or long-sleeved white blouse (plain sleeve, no frills/gathering)• Plain mid-grey pinafore with knife pleats, drop waist OR plain mid-grey box pleat knee length skirt OR mid-grey long trousers without turn ups• Plain royal blue cardigan• <u>Non-elasticated</u> school tie• Plain white socks (knee length or ankle (no frills)) or plain grey/white tights if the weather is chilly

SUMMER UNIFORM

BOYS	GIRLS
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 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	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Summer Dress – ‘A’ line royal blue and white striped dress, buttoned/zipped to the waist only (no gathering at waist)OR shorts without turn ups• 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 Years 3, 4, 5 and 6

WINTER UNIFORM

BOYS	GIRLS
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 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	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Short or long-sleeved white blouse (plain sleeve, no frills/gathering)• Plain mid-grey box pleat knee length skirt• Mid-grey long trousers without turn ups• Plain royal blue cardigan• Non-elasticated school tie• Plain white socks (knee length or ankle (no frills)) or plain grey/white tights if the weather is chilly

SUMMER UNIFORM

BOYS	GIRLS
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 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	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Choice of: white, open necked, short sleeved blouse (see above) with mid-grey box pleat knee length skirt or Summer Dress (see above) or shorts without turn ups• 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

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.
- All pupils must have their PE bag in school in their house colour St Andrew's – blue, St George's – red, St Patrick's – green, St David's – yellow. Their PE bag should contain black indoor plimsolls, a change of clothes, spare socks/tights 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 **OR** black coat or waterproof jacket (without logos e.g. Adidas/Nike) or school jacket with school badge from Rupens (fur around the hood is permitted)
- School blazer with school badge can be worn at any time during the year
- 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 the following hairstyles: tram lines, steps, stripes, motifs or Mohawks and Mohicans. We do not allow extensions that are a different colour to your child's natural hair colour.

Beads are not permitted in any part of your child's hair.

All hair that is longer than the length of the shirt collar must be 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.

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 (these can be purchased from the school office). 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

Jewellery and Make-up

No jewellery (including earrings*) but watches can be worn from Year 3; however, these should not be the "smart watch" type. 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

Years Reception to Year 6 - please send your child to school with a sports style, pull top water bottle every day. The bottle should be refilled with fresh water each morning at home. This will ensure your child remains hydrated throughout the day.

Apron

Please ensure your child (Years 1-6) has an apron in their PE bag. This can be apron or an old adult shirt/t-shirt. Enough to protect their clothes during such activities as art.

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