



27<sup>th</sup> February 2026

Dear Parents/Carers

## UNIFORM POLICY REMINDER

I am writing to clarify our expectations regarding school uniform, in particular the wearing of school skirts.

The school skirt has been specifically designed and chosen to be worn at or around the knee. This is not simply a matter of appearance; it reflects our values as a school community. We expect all students to present themselves with **modesty, dignity and self-respect**, and the correct wearing of uniform plays an important part in this.

In recent weeks, we have seen an increasing number of skirts being worn above the knee. **This is not in line with our uniform expectations.** The school skirt should be worn as designed and intended, at knee length. Rolling waistbands or altering skirts to shorten them is not acceptable.

Students will be required to adjust their skirts so that they are worn appropriately. Where skirts cannot be worn correctly, parents and carers may be contacted and a replacement skirt may be required.

Students who persistently do not meet these expectations will be sanctioned in line with the school's Behaviour Policy. This may include detentions or other appropriate consequences where uniform expectations are repeatedly ignored.

Uniform standards matter because they help create a purposeful and respectful environment in which students can focus on learning. They also ensure fairness and consistency across the school.

Please also see overleaf the full Uniform Policy for your reference.

Parents and carers are expected to ensure that students attend school in the correct uniform each day, including the school skirt worn at the proper length. We will apply our uniform standards consistently.

Thank you for your continued support in maintaining the high standards that help make our school a calm and focused place for learning.

Yours sincerely

Mr A O'Donoghue  
**HEAD OF SCHOOL**

## MAIN SCHOOL (YEARS 7-11)

### Boys Uniform

- Grey Pinstripe Blazer with school logo.
- Grey Trousers.
- Grey long sleeve or sleeveless pullover with "V" neck with a red stripe.
- Plain White with long sleeves (short sleeves shirt may be worn in the summer).
- Black or Grey Socks only.
- School Tie: All boys must wear a school tie (not clip on version).
- Black low heel leather shoes (Not suede or patent) worn below the ankle. No ankle boots/boots (including "kicker" boots) No trainers or shoes which look like trainers Black laces only.
- Male students should be clean shaven: (years 7-11).
- Any haircut shorter than a No.1 is not allowed.
- For Health and Safety reasons long hair must be tied back at all times.

### Girls Uniform

- Grey Pinstripe Blazer with school logo.
- Grey pleated knee length skirt worn below the knee.
- Grey trousers.
- Grey long sleeve or sleeveless pullover with "V" neck with a red stripe.
- Plain White with long sleeves (not blouse type) (short sleeves shirt may be worn in the summer).
- School Tie (not clip on version).
- Black or grey tights, or plain knee high black or grey socks.
- Plain low heel black leather shoes worn below the ankle (Not suede or patent) No ankle boots/boots, including kicker boots. No trainers or shoes which look like trainers. Black laces only.
- For Health and Safety reasons long hair must be tied back at all times. Extensions or hair dye should be natural colours only. Unnatural colours such as yellow, red, orange, purple etc are NOT permitted.
- Plain black head coverings/scarves are only permitted for religious reasons.
- Hair beads should be clear, white, brown or black only.

### Outdoor Items

A black outdoor jacket with the school Logo may be purchased from Rough Cuts however, a plain black jacket/coat may also be worn.

Plain black bag/rucksack large enough to hold text and exercise books – **no logos**

Plain black/dark grey scarf, hat and gloves.

### Compulsory P.E. Kit for all Pupils

- Black shorts or joggers - plain - **no logos**
- Polo shirt with the Cardinal Pole logo purchased from School Supplier (Rough Cuts)
- Black socks
- Trainers - required for all lessons (not Converse, Vans or similar fashion footwear)
- Black PE jumper with school logo (for colder months)

### Optional Items

- Waterproof suit with school logo - only purchased from School Supplier (Rough Cuts)
- Long white socks.
- School scarf, hat and gloves to be purchased from Rough Cuts.
- Boys may wear a plain black leather/cloth belt.

### P.E

- White football shorts with black trim with the school logo (only required if pupils intend to play for the school football team).
- Black/Red Tracksuits/Training pants with school Logo.

**NOTE: The highlighted items are those which are compulsory and logo items must be purchased from Rough Cuts. All other items can be bought from other suppliers.**

### Prohibited Items

- The school allows students to wear one small pair of earring studs to be worn (one in each earlobe only) either Gold or Silver (no larger than 5mm diameter).
- A plain watch is permitted (Apple/Android watches or those with Internet connection are **NOT** permitted). No other jewellery items are permitted.
- No Markings or symbols which have been cut into scalp or eyebrows.
- No haircut shorter than a no. 1.
- No facial hair – clean shaven (Years 7-11). This is at the discretion of the Headteacher.
- No multi-coloured hair beads. They must be clear, black, brown or white and should be tied back so as not to cause a Health & Safety issue.
- No unnatural colour hair extensions or hair dye. Red, purple, orange or yellow are not permitted.
- No Ankle boots, including Kickers.
- No Facial or multiple piercings.
- No tattoos.
- No extreme fashion hair styles. The school reserves the right to decide whether a hairstyle meets requirements.
- No nail extensions or nail colour/varnish.
- No Make Up - including false eyelashes.
- No baseball caps.
- No hoodies.
- Mobile phones, air pods, headphones are banned from the school building, its premises and the immediate area surrounding the school. These items will be confiscated if seen and will only be returned to a parent/carer on a Friday.
- The school will decide whether or not an item is a fashion item.