



ST COLUMBA COLLEGE UNIFORM POLICY

The Uniform Policy of St Columba College addresses the total appearance of the student travelling to and from school and while at school. The uniform is seen as an external statement of the quality education offered at the College. In effect, it presents to the public an image which is in line with the College ethos. In addition, the uniform is a means of helping to develop unity and pride within our community. Hairstyles which may be current fashion in the community will not necessarily be in keeping with the ethos or spirit of the College Uniform Policy and students are expected to respect this.

The Uniform Policy is developed and approved by the College Council. It is an expectation that all students are to comply with the policy in all its requirements. Indeed, enrolment at the College is dependent upon parents accepting and supporting the College's Uniform Policy and rules.

The uniform is available for purchase at the College Uniform Shop.

AIMS

- To develop a sense of pride and unity within our College.
- To support and maintain the high standards within the College.

OBSERVANCE AND INTERPRETATION

- All students are to abide by the full Uniform Policy, while travelling to and from school, as well as at school.
- They may also be required to wear the uniform to official functions.
- Students are to wear their uniform appropriately and with pride i.e. sleeves rolled down, hat worn correctly, shoes polished, tie covering the top button of the shirt, shirt tucked in etc.
- The Principal has the final decision on any interpretation of this policy.

FAILURE TO COMPLY

- In a situation which the Principal/Head of School/House Leaders deems to be breach of the policy, the student will be required to rectify this breach prior to going to class. In some instances this will require the student to go home in order for the situation to be resolved.
- Minor infringements will result in disciplinary action being taken.
- Refusal to comply will result in suspension, until such time as the Principal is assured that the student will adhere to the policy. In cases of refusal to abide by the Uniform Policy, the College Council reserves the right to cancel the enrolment of the child/children.

GENERAL

A. School Bags

- Students are expected to have the approved College school bag, sold from the College uniform shop. No other bag is to be used by students. Graffiti on the College school bag is unacceptable.

B. Shoes

- Dress Shoes: Black lace up school shoes with heels no greater than 4cm in height. No coloured stitching or logos. Shoes must be polished and in a good state of repair.
- Sports Shoes: Must be a cross trainer style sport shoe with a raised, treaded sole designed for outdoor sports activities. Boots or any footwear with flat soles, e.g. skate shoes, street wear, *Volleys* are not permitted.
- Sport shoes are never to be worn with the College dress uniform.

C. Hats

- Hats must be worn at all breaks and to and from school.
- Hats are not compulsory between 1 May and 31 August.
- Hats must be in a good state of repair.



D. Hair Styles

- Hair is always to be kept in a neat and tidy manner off the face and if necessary pins/clips must be used to ensure that hair is not over the face. Fringes are not to be below the eyebrows.
- Hairstyles must allow for the correct wearing of the College hat.
- Hair longer than top of collar length must be tied back, so as not to allow it to fall on to the face. Any tie back or clip is to be in one of the colours of the College (red, green, yellow, black or College tartan).
- We expect that boys' hair is not to be longer than the top of the shirt collar.
- Unusual cuts/styles, e.g. rats tails, shaved heads, patterned cuts, extreme hair colouring are not permitted.
- Hair – natural colour, highlighting within the natural colour range is acceptable. Light streaks or streaks of a different colour in dark hair are unacceptable, dark streaks or streaks of a different colour in light hair are unacceptable.
- Cuts less than a 'No 2' are not permitted.
- Spikes, mohawks or unusual styles e.g. untidy/unkempt ruffled look are not acceptable.
- No facial hair; sideburns no longer than the earlobe.
- No noticeable use of any hair product allowed.

E. Other Requirements

- A necklace consisting of either a small gold or silver chain with a single Christian object may be worn. No other symbol is permitted.
- Costume jewellery is not permitted.
- Coloured undergarments should not be visible and t-shirts of any kind are not permitted.
- Watches and medical alert bracelets may be worn.
- Bangles, bracelets, rings are not allowed.
- Earrings: Only plain gold/silver or small birth-stone studs may be worn, and only one must be worn in each ear lobe.
- No body piercing or body art is permitted (excluding pierced ears as stated).
- Make up or nail polish, false nails or any other nail treatment is not allowed.

F. Casual Clothes Dress Code

From time to time the College invites students to wear casual clothes to school. On these occasions we seek to be clear about the expectations that we have in relation to what is and is not appropriate.

- All clothing is to be of a good and clean state of repair.
- Shoes need to be enclosed.
- All issues relating to the way in which a student wears their hair remains as if they were still in uniform.
- The wearing of jewelry other than what is stated in our Uniform Policy is not permitted.
- Make up is not permitted.
- Students are still required to wear a hat that provides sun protection.
- Clothing that contains language or graphics of a sexual, violent, profane or offensive nature will not be accepted.
- All clothing must be of a 'modest' nature. For example:
 - No exposed midriffs i.e. gap in clothing should not exist between a student's top and trousers.
 - No Low cut tops or singlets.
 - No Low cut/ride hipster trousers



UNIFORM CODE - JUNIOR SCHOOL (RECEPTION TO YEAR 5)

All students will be required to wear the full College dress uniform when attending formal College functions, and or representing the College at official functions.

Summer Uniform	
Girls	Boys
Tartan Summer Dress (to be worn at knee length) or Black College Trousers	Dark Grey College Shorts (elastic back) White Open Neck Short Sleeve Monogrammed Shirt
White Socks, crew length (no anklets)	Grey Socks, crew length (no anklets)
Red College Jumper	Red College Jumper
Black Lace Up School Shoes OR Black Low Heel Plain Style Sandals (sample on display in the Uniform Shop)	Black Lace Up School Shoes OR Black Low Heel Plain Style Sandals (sample on display in the Uniform Shop)
Bottle Green College Hat	Bottle Green College Hat
Winter Uniform	
Girls	Boys
Tartan Pinafore (to be worn at knee length) or Black College Trousers	Dark Grey College Long Trousers (elastic back)
White Socks or Black Tights (No anklets or knee-high stockings)	Grey Socks (no anklets)
White Open Neck Long Sleeve Monogrammed Shirt	White Open Neck Long Sleeve Monogrammed Shirt
Red College Jumper	Red College Jumper
Black Lace Up School Shoes	Black Lace Up School Shoes
College Jacket	College Jacket
Black Gloves and/or Black Scarf (optional)	Black Gloves and/or Black Scarf (optional)
Sports Uniform	
Girls	Boys
College Polo Top	College Polo Top
College Track Jacket (optional Track Suit Top)	College Track Jacket (optional Track Suit Top)
College Track Suit Pants	College Track Suit Pants
Black Monogrammed Sports Shorts	Black Monogrammed Sports Shorts
College Monogrammed Sports Socks	College Monogrammed Sports Socks
Cross Trainer Sports Shoes with a raised, treaded sole designed for outdoor sports activities. Boots or any footwear with flat soles, e.g. canvas, skate shoes, street wear, "Volleys" are not permitted.	Cross Trainer Sports Shoes with a raised, treaded sole designed for outdoor sports activities. Boots or any footwear with flat soles, e.g. canvas, skate shoes, street wear, "Volleys" are not permitted.
House Polo Top (to be worn for House Activities and Sports Day in partnership with full Sports Uniform)	House Polo Top (to be worn for House Activities and Sports Day in partnership will full Sports Uniform)
Bottle Green College Hat	Bottle Green College Hat



UNIFORM CODE - MIDDLE AND SENIOR SCHOOLS (YEAR 6 TO YEAR 12)

- The College Blazer is always to be worn to and from school during Term 2 and Term 3. The Blazer must be worn for any formal College functions throughout the year.
- On occasions of inclement weather during Term 1 and Term 4 the Red College Jumper may be worn as the outer garment to and from school.
- The College Jumper may still be worn during the day at school as the outer garment.
- If the College Blazer is to be worn during Terms 1 and 4 (Summer Uniform) girls must ensure their dress collar is over the Blazer collar and boys must wear long trousers with the College tie. When the Blazer is removed, the tie may also be removed in Terms 1 and 4.
- Students will be required to wear the full College dress uniform when attending formal College functions and/or representing the College at official functions. This includes the wearing of the College Blazer.
- Year 12 students have the opportunity to purchase a special Year 12 Jumper. This jumper is not to be worn to and from school but can be worn during the day.
- Senior students are expected to adhere to the Uniform Policy up to and including the Prayer and Presentation night.

Summer Uniform	
Girls	Boys
Tartan Summer Dress (to be worn at knee length) or Black College Trousers	Dark Grey College Shorts or Long Trousers White Open Neck Monogrammed Short Sleeve Shirt Black Belt / small silver buckle
College Blazer	College Blazer
Red College Jumper	Red College Jumper
College Hat (black)	College Hat (black)
Black Lace Up School Shoes	Black Lace Up School Shoes
White Socks, crew length (no anklets)	Grey Socks, crew length (no anklets)
Winter Uniform	
Girls	Boys
Tartan College Skirt (to be worn at knee length) Or Black College Trousers	Dark Grey College Trousers Black Belt / small silver buckle
White Long Sleeve Monogrammed Shirt	White Long Sleeve Monogrammed Shirt
White Socks or Black opaque tights (No anklets or knee-high stockings)	Grey Socks
College Tie	College Tie
Red College Jumper	Red College Jumper
College Blazer	College Blazer
Black Lace Up School Shoes	Black Lace Up School Shoes
Black Gloves and/or Black Scarf (optional)	Black Gloves and/or Black Scarf (optional)
Sports Uniform	
Girls	Boys
College Polo Top	College Polo Top
College Track Jacket (optional Track Suit Top)	College Track Jacket (optional Track Suit Top)
College Track Suit Pants	College Track Suit Pants
Black Monogrammed Sports Shorts	Black Monogrammed Sports Shorts
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House Sports Hat	House Sports Hat