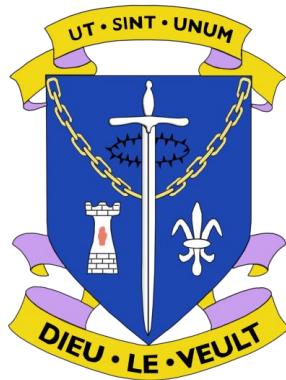


# ***St Louis Grammar School***

## ***Kilkeel***



## **School Uniform Policy**

*Date of Policy: June 2021*

*Reviewed by: Mr E McGlue*

*Ratified by Board of Governors June 2023*

*Date of Next Review: June 2026*

## **1 Introduction**

**1.1** It is our school policy that all students wear school uniform when attending school, or when participating in a school-organised event outside normal school hours. We provide a complete list of the items needed for school uniform in our school prospectus.

## **2 Aims and objectives**

**2.1** Our policy on school uniform is based on the notion that school uniform:

- promotes a sense of pride in the school;
- engenders a sense of community and belonging towards the school;
- is practical and smart;
- identifies the students with the school;
- prevents students from coming to school in fashion clothes that could be distracting in class;
- makes students feel equal to their peers in terms of appearance;
- is regarded as suitable wear for school and good value for money by most parents;
- is designed with health and safety in mind.

## **3 Jewellery and Make-up**

**3.1** On health and safety grounds facial jewellery (apart from one small pair of earrings or studs- in each ear lobe only) or visible body jewellery is not permitted. Students may wear one small necklace, one small bracelet and one small ring. Pupils may not wear make-up to school. Nose/ eyebrow piercings are not allowed.

*The school advises parents who wish their children to have their ears pierced to do so at the beginning of the school holidays.*

**3.2** Medical identification bracelets may be worn by children who have significant medical problems eg. Diabetes or epilepsy.

**3.3** Students must not have visible tattoos.

## **4 Extreme haircuts**

**4.1** The school does not permit students to have 'extreme' / 'outlandish' haircuts that could serve as a distraction to other students or to have unnaturally coloured hairstyles (i.e. pink/ red/ purple/ blue etc).

## **5 Footwear**

**5.1** Students must wear black shoes as stated on the uniform list. Students must not wear trainers or canvas shoes to school; this is because we think that this footwear is appropriate for sport or for leisurewear, but is not in keeping with the smart appearance of a school uniform.

## **6 The role of parents**

**6.1** We ask all parents who send their children to our school to support the school uniform policy. We believe that parents have a duty to send their children to school correctly dressed and ready for

their daily schoolwork. One of the responsibilities of parents is to ensure that their child has the correct uniform, and that it is clean and in good repair.

## **7 The role of governors**

**7.1** The Board of Governors supports the Principal in implementing the school uniform policy. It considers all representations from parents regarding the uniform policy and liaises with the Principal to ensure that the policy is implemented fairly and with sensitivity.

**7.2** It is the governors' responsibility to ensure that the school uniform meets all regulations concerning equal opportunities.

**7.3** Governors ensure that the school uniform policy helps children to dress sensibly, in clothing that is hardwearing, safe and practical.

## **8 Monitoring and review**

**8.1** The Board of Governors monitors and reviews the school uniform policy through its committee work by:

- seeking the views of parents, to ensure that they agree with and support the policy;
- considering, with the Principal, any requests from parents for individual children to have special dispensation with regard to school uniform;
- requiring the Principal to report to the governors on the way the school uniform policy is implemented.

## **9 Uniform**

The School Uniform is:

### **Girls Uniform**

Skirt	Juniors: Green school knee length skirt with inverted pleats (Minimum of 20" long) Seniors: Green school knee length skirt with inverted pleats (Minimum of 22" long)
Jumper	Bottle green V-neck with mauve lines
Blouse	Mauve open neck blouse
Socks	Green tights all year round
Blazer	Juniors: Mauve with school crest Seniors: Bottle green with school crest
Scarf	Green school scarf with school crest Hair bands should be black, purple or green

### **Boys Uniform**

Trousers	Black. All belts must be plain black.
Jumper	Bottle green V-neck with mauve lines
Shirt	Juniors: Grey Seniors: White
Tie	School tie
Socks	Black
Blazer	Juniors: Grey with school crest

Scarf Seniors: Black with school crest  
Black scarf

All

**Coat** Navy raincoat with school crest. No other coat or jacket to be worn with the uniform at any time.

Shoes Plain black sturdy shoes with no designs or logos. Heels may not be more than 3cm high. No runners of any description. Shoes must be polished.

PE School football jersey and school shorts or skorts (Skorts are needed for school teams)  
School tracksuit. Shorts should not be worn to school only leggings or tracksuit bottoms.

- The PE uniform is only allowed to be worn into school by Junior pupils (Year 8-10) on the days they have PE; all other year groups are required to wear their uniform to and from school, and to change for PE as necessary.
- Hoodies and non-uniform items, e.g. branded tracksuit bottoms, are not to be worn in school.

Uniform available from Murphy's, Kilkeel, Holmes', Kilkeel and Bingham Menswear, Newcastle. Overcoat and PE gear available from Playrfit and can be ordered online.

## Seasonal Variations;

**In cold weather (below 32 degrees) Students can wear the 1/4 zip new school fleece under their blazer. Shirt/Blouse collars and ties must be visible**

All uniform must be clearly labelled with student's name and class.

## 10 Recycling of uniforms

**10.1** The school has commenced a recycling system. Donations of uniform can be left in the school office.

**10.2** The facility will be open each Monday 3.30pm – 4pm. There will be a small charge for all items as follows. This will go to school funds.

Blazers	£10
Skirts/ trousers	£5
Blouses/ shirts	£2
Ties	50p

### 10.3 Queries regarding recycling to Mr McGlue

## **11. Non – compliance with school uniform**



**11.1** The School can discipline pupils for breach of uniform policy. This may mean exclusion if a student persistently breaches school uniform policy. Students will carry a uniform card and will have a note recorded if in breach of policy. Repeated occurrences will be recorded in planner highlighting the breach of policy and asking them to remedy the breach.

However, the school will endeavour to establish the reasons for non-compliance and if parents are in financial difficulty they should contact Mr McGlue and Miss King.

A School Uniform Grant is available to parents who qualify and meet the criteria for Free School Meals. Forms for this can be accessed on the EA Website <https://www.eani.org.uk/financial-help/school-uniform-allowance>.

### ST LOUIS GRAMMAR SCHOOL

#### School shoes 2025 – 2025



For health and safety reasons, school shoes must be sturdy, leather, provide support to growing feet and be plain black, with no designs or logos. Heels may not be more than 3cm high. Samples of suitable shoes are given below. Trainers, trainer style or canvas shoes and boots are not acceptable.

**Example of**



**Male shoes permitted**



**Example of Male shoes not allowed**

**Example of Female shoes permitted**



Example of Female shoes NOT permitted



**STUDENTS WHO ARRIVE WITH THE WRONG TYPE OF SHOES  
IN SEPTEMBER WILL BE ASKED TO REPLACE THEM.**

## Correct Uniform

### Guideline

Single small stud  
piercing in lower  
ear lobe



Clip on tie  
Collar buttoned

Knee length skirt

Green tights  
compulsory  
all year around

Regular fit  
trousers  
e.g. not short or  
skinny fit

