



The Newman Catholic Collegiate



# St. John the Evangelist Catholic Academy

"Lord be thy word my rule."

Principal: Mrs H. Rigby BSc(Hons), PGCE, NPQH  
Gloucester Road, Kidsgrove, Stoke-on-Trent ST7 1EL

Telephone: 01782 367267

Email: office@stjohnskidsgrove.org.uk

---

Friday 24<sup>th</sup> October 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

## **SCHOOL UNIFORM REMINDER**

As we approach the end of the half term break, we would like to remind all families of our school's uniform policy and the importance of maintaining high standards in appearance and presentation.

From the first day back after the half term break, all students are expected to wear the correct school uniform in accordance with our policy. This includes:

- Footwear: Only black school shoes are permitted. Trainers or sports-style shoes are not allowed.
- PE Kit: Students must bring and wear the correct PE kit on designated PE days. We prefer the children to have their PE kit in school all week.

## **Earrings**

As part of our ongoing commitment to ensuring the safety and wellbeing of all our children, I would like to remind everyone of our school's uniform policy regarding the wearing of earrings.

For safety reasons, we ask that children do not wear earrings of any kind to school, including plastic retainer earrings. While some may see plastic retainers as a safer alternative to traditional earrings, they still pose similar risks, particularly during physical activities such as PE, playtime, and other active lessons.

Earrings, regardless of material, can easily become caught on clothing, hair, or equipment, which could lead to injuries like tears to the earlobe. Even with plastic retainers, there is still the risk of accidental bumps or pulls that could hurt the wearer. Our aim is to prevent these accidents and keep our children safe while they learn and play.

We kindly request your support in following this policy to help us maintain a safe environment for all students. After half term please ensure that all earrings are taken out in a morning ready for the school day.

We appreciate your support in ensuring that all students return to school dressed appropriately. If you have any questions or require clarification on any aspect of the uniform policy, please do not hesitate to contact the school office. A copy of the uniform policy can be found below.

Thank you for your continued cooperation.  
Have a wonderful half term break.

Mrs H Rigby  
Principal

---

## St. John the Evangelist Catholic Academy Uniform

The wearing of correct school uniform is considered to be an important part in establishing a sense of community and standards in school. Children are encouraged to take pride in wearing appropriate uniform, including PE kit.

| <u>Boys</u>  | <u>Girls</u>  |
|--|---|
| School Navy woollen jumper (school colours on the V neck)<br>White school shirt (polo shirts for Nursery only)<br>School tie<br>Dark grey flannel trousers or shorts<br>Grey, black or white socks<br>Black shoes<br>Black boots (only during the winter months and must be no more than ankle height) | School Navy woollen cardigan (school colours on the V neck)<br>White school shirt (polo shirts for Nursery only)<br>School tie<br>Dark grey skirt or pinafore or trousers<br>Grey, black or white socks or grey or black tights<br>Black shoes<br>Black boots (only during the winter months and must be no more than ankle height) |
| P.E. Kit<br>Navy blue T shirt (logo or plain)<br>Navy cotton shorts<br>Navy sweatshirt<br>Navy jogging bottoms (winter)<br>Black plimsolls or Trainers   | P.E. Kit<br>Navy blue T shirt (logo or plain)<br>Navy cotton shorts<br>Navy sweatshirt<br>Navy jogging bottoms (winter)<br>Black plimsolls or Trainers  |
|  | Summer Term Only<br>Girls may wear navy and white checked summer dresses  |

### Hair and Accessories

Hair should be conventionally cut with no visible lines and should be an appropriate length (not shaven or less than grade 2). Shoulder length hair should be tied back at all times using a bow or bobble in the school colours (navy blue and white) or black.

Highlights/Lowlights and any additional hair pieces (e.g. coloured braids/ hair tinsel) are not permitted. Small bows or hair bands may be worn but these must be in the school colours (navy blue and white).

### Tattoos, Make up and Nail Varnish

Temporary transfer tattoos, make up and nail varnish are not allowed.

### Jewellery

In the interests of Health and Safety, jewellery must **not** be worn. This includes earrings which are not permitted even if covered with a plaster.

---