

Uniform & Games Kit

2023-24

Our uniform supplier is Stevensons <https://www.stevensons.co.uk/>

Non-branded items may be purchased from any other reputable supplier.

Pupils should keep their uniform clean and neat. All items should be clearly marked with their name.

SENIOR SCHOOL UNIFORM (YEARS 7 TO 11)

UNIFORM	NOTES
Branded black school blazer	Blazers must be worn at all times around College (permission must be sought from a teacher to remove a blazer during a lesson).
White long-sleeved or short-sleeved shirt (long sleeves required for choir) White long-sleeved or short-sleeved open neck blouse (long sleeves required for choir)	Shirt top buttons must always be done up and ties full length. Shirts must also be tucked in.
Charcoal or black regular fit trousers Kilt-style skirt in camel stewart tartan - Years 7 to 8 A-line skirt in camel stewart tartan - Years 9 to 11	A white shirt and a school tie must be worn with trousers. A white open necked blouse must be worn with a skirt. <i>Trousers must be of a regular fit. Trousers that are tightly fitting, leggings, hipsters, flares, boot leg, decorated and/or casual are not acceptable.</i> Skirt length must be no more than two inches above the knee and skirts must not be rolled up or obviously hemmed to make them too short.
Lower Senior school tie - Years 7 to 8 Upper Senior school tie - Years 9 to 11	A tie must be worn with a shirt.
Branded Black v-necked jumper (optional)	
Plain black shoes	Shoes must be black leather, a school type or business wear style and polished regularly. Black trainers or trainer type shoes are not acceptable.
Charcoal, black or navy blue socks with trousers Black tights or white ankle length socks with skirts	
Waterproof coat with St Joseph's crest (optional) Plain coloured coat (optional)	

PLEASE NOTE:

- Correct College uniform should be worn at all times
- Hair must be smart, professional in style, and worn off the face. Exaggerated or dyed/coloured hair styles are not permitted - hair should not be excessively long or short and hair accessories must be simple and a natural hair colour
- Make-up is not allowed and only colourless nail varnish is permitted
- No jewellery is allowed except for a wristwatch and/or one small crucifix or recognised symbol of faith worn discreetly around the neck/wrist
- One gold or silver stud, in the lobe of each ear
- Pupils must be clean shaven

SUMMER UNIFORM

Summer uniform will be announced on a specific date in the Summer Term. Information will be provided at that time as to what is expected.

SUN PROTECTION

During the summer months, we encourage pupils to apply a long-lasting, high-factor sunscreen before school. Sunscreen can also be sent in with your child, as long as they are able to apply this themselves.

BAGS:

Bags Year 7 - 10

- Black rucksack or messenger bag which must be large enough to fit A4 folders
- The bag can have a logo but should not compromise with the colour of the bag being black
- Material can either be leather or synthetic.
- Bags should not be left in Form Rooms. Pupils in Years 7 to 10 should take their bag with them to lessons or leave them on their peg or in their locker

It is important that pupils do not carry unnecessary books in their bags. Books for the day should be left in lockers and pupils should only carry books necessary for their imminent lessons. Form Tutors will reinforce the importance of adhering to this.

Bags are part of the uniform and must not be decorated or defaced.

GAMES/PE KIT (YEARS 7 TO 11) - BOYS

Branded black t-shirt with red panels / branded PE poloshirt

Black football shorts

Branded midlayer

Branded House t-shirt (If you are not sure which House your child is in, contact admissions@sjcr.org.uk)

Black tracksuit trousers

Black rugby shorts (optional)

Swimwear - lycra-based black/navy/charcoal

Plain black football socks

Cricket whites – shirt and trousers (optional, summer term only)

Trainers

Football boots

If your child outgrows their Senior School Stevensons sports kit during Year 11, they may purchase the Sixth Form sports kit from Grays International to replace it (see page 15).

GAMES/PE KIT (YEARS 7 TO 11) - GIRLS

Branded PE poloshirt

Branded midlayer

Branded House t-shirt (If you are not sure which House your child is in, contact admissions@sjcr.org.uk)

Black shorts/skort

Black tracksuit trousers or full length black sports leggings

Swimwear - lycra-based black/navy/charcoal

Plain black hockey socks

Cricket whites (optional, summer term only)

Trainers or Astro shoes

If your child outgrows their Senior School Stevensons sports kit during Year 11, they may purchase the Sixth Form sports kit from Grays International to replace it (see page 15).

SENIOR SCHOOL SPORTS EQUIPMENT

Parents are advised that some Games options come with specific kit requirements, as detailed below:

Swimhat - white

Mouthguard (hockey and rugby) - **please see detailed information below**

Shinpads (hockey and football)

Hockey stick

Tennis racket or Cricket box*

*Pupils are welcome to bring their full cricket bag with pads/bat/helmet to Games sessions in the summer term.

All the above items of equipment can be found in high street sports shops, however we have a new partnership with Grays International (Gilbert) who offer all St Joseph's College parents a discount of 20% off their equipment shop using the following link:

<https://www.graysteamsports.com/collections/st-josephs-college-equipment-collection>

Mouthguards

A mouthguard must be worn for rugby (boys) and hockey (girls). These can be purchased in any sports outlet, however St Joseph's is partnered with OPRO, the largest manufacturers of custom-fit mouthguards in the world. OPRO have launched their revolutionary Instant Custom-Fit mouthguard which is a dentist level mouthguard that can be fitted at home.

Benefits of the Instant Custom-Fit mouthguard:

- OPRO's revolutionary fitting mechanism allows the pupil to take an instant dentist impression of their teeth whilst moulding their Custom-Fit mouthguard
- You can choose between three protection levels and add anti-microbial protection to the mouthguard
- Made in OPRO's manufacturing facility in Hertfordshire, the Instant Custom-Fit offers the highest level of protection as worn by professionals
- Prices start from £29.99 plus you will receive 10% off if you use the following code SJCR10
- The Instant Custom-Fit can be manufactured in two days. Once fitted at home it's ready to use
- You will receive a complimentary Self-Fit mouthguard to practise the fitting process with and this can be used as a spare mouthguard for the season.

To order an Instant Custom-Fit please follow the steps below:

1. Visit <https://opro.info/StJosephsCollegeReading>
2. Choose the mouthguard you'd like to purchase
3. Enter the discount code at checkout to receive 10% off
4. Your mouthguard will be sent to the delivery address provided, along with fitting instructions

If you have any questions about the products or OPRO's service, please contact their customer care team directly on 01442 430690 or email info@oprogroup.com.

SIXTH FORM DRESS CODE

GENERAL PRINCIPLES

- Students who enter the Sixth Form within the school community understand the importance of acting as role models
- They are expected to set an example to the rest of the College, whilst enjoying the privilege of expressing themselves more independently
- Students enter the Sixth Form to work and contribute to the wider College community and as such their dress should reflect this
- The principle for the dress code is that students wear smart professional clothes
- Jackets must always be worn around school

UNIFORM

- A black, navy or grey suit with a jacket, or a black, navy or grey trousers or skirt with a jacket. Patterns are permitted as long as they are subtle and reflect the principle of smart professional dress (e.g. pin stripes)
- Skirts should not be excessively short or tight, and should be no more than four inches above the knee. Lycra 'tube skirts' are not permitted.
- A shirt or blouse. Subtle patterns will be acceptable (e.g. stripes/checkered)
- A tie is to be worn with shirts. Ties are to be worn properly at all times.. Subtle patterns will be acceptable (e.g. stripes/checkered)
- Fine knit formal cardigan/jumper
- Smart black or brown formal shoes - high heels are not permitted.

OTHER ACCESSORIES/HAIR

- Jewellery must be subtle and consistent with smart professional dress
- Scarves/hoodies and outdoor clothing are not permitted to be worn around College
- Hair must be smart, professional in style and colour, and worn off the face
- Facial hair must be suitable for a professional work environment. Students should be either clean shaven or must have a full beard or moustache that is trimmed and well presented. This will need to be in place at the start of a term and may not be grown during term time

PIERCINGS & TATTOOS

- Up to three piercings in total allowed per ear, which includes the first lobe piercing
- Only simple studs. No rings. Clear, silver or gold coloured
- One subtle nose piercing only
- A single simple stud. No ring. Clear, silver, or gold coloured.
- No other facial piercings to be permitted
- For those 18 and over, no visible tattoos are permitted whilst in uniform, summer uniform or games kit.

WEARING OF UNIFORM

- Uniform is to be worn smartly around College
- Casual clothes are not permitted
- Leggings, denim and corduroy are not permitted

The Head of Sixth Form, in consultation with the Head and/or College Deputy Head (Senior), will make the final decision as to what is appropriate.