Diocese of Nottingham

# The Priory Catholic Voluntary Academy

Part of the Saint Ralph Sherwin Catholic Multi Academy Trust



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# School Uniform

All school uniform can be purchased from Hamilton's at **41- 43 Granby Street, Ilkeston, Derbyshire. DE7 8HP. Tel: 0115 9326333.** The only part of the school uniform that must be purchased from Hamilton's is a red cardigan or red V-neck sweatshirt, as these carry the school logo. All other items may be purchased from outlets such as supermarkets or other clothes shops, which may even be online.

The academy has a school uniform which looks very smart and is greatly respected by parents, staff, and governors; as well as the local community who hold the academy in high regard. In sending your child to The Priory Catholic Voluntary Academy, the Governing Body expects parents to uphold the dress code as set out in this policy.

## Pupils are expected to wear the following school uniform:

Winter (May be worn all-year round; also see summer uniform, below, which is optional. Winter uniform must be worn after the October half-term, and up until the Easter Holidays).

- Red cardigan or red V-neck sweatshirt with school logo
- grey trousers or grey knee length skirt or grey pinafore dress or grey tailored school shorts
- long sleeve white school blouse (with collar)
- long sleeve white school shirt (with collar)
- red tie
- red or grey tights
- black, grey, or white socks
- winter coat (Please ensure your child always has a coat or raincoat in school with them).
- sensible black shoes: laced, Velcro or buckled are all allowed. These must be plain black, with no visible logo or motif; acceptable school shoes will have a distinctive heel. No slip-on shoes or trainer type shoes are allowed. No open toe sandals are allowed for health and safety reasons. (Please do contact the school office if in-doubt before purchasing).

Summer (Optional: after the Easter holidays and up until October half-term.)

- red and white checked dress (not striped)
- short sleeve white school blouse (with collar) and red tie
- short sleeve white school shirt (with collar) and red tie

#### Hats

We encourage children to wear sun hats in summer to give some protection from the sun.

### **General Appearance**

#### Jewellery

Pupils may wear up to one pair of inexpensive earrings, providing they are small and in the lobe of the ear. They may also wear an inexpensive digital and/or analogue watch. (These must not be oversized or smart watches). All articles of jewellery must be removed for PE and when requested to do so by members of staff for your son or daughter to participate safely in curriculum activities – especially those of a practical nature.

#### Hair and eyelashes

Pupils' hair should be no shorter than number 2 and must not cover their face. There must be no tram lines or patterns cut into the hair and no excessive gel styling. A plain red or white, narrow headband or bobble may be worn. Flowers, bright bold hair clips and other hair fashion accessories are not allowed. Long hair must be tied back for PE and practical subjects – hair that is below collar length must be always tied back. False eyelashes are not allowed as part of the school's dress code.

#### Make-up and nails

No make-up, false nails or nail varnish is allowed as part of the dress code at The Priory Catholic Academy.

#### **PE Uniform**

Plain red shorts, a plain white T-shirt or white polo shirt (with or without school logo), and black plimsolls. Each year, pupils will require tracksuits, football boots and/or trainers for outdoor games. (Classteachers will inform you as to when these will be needed as part of their half-term class newsletters). Tracksuits must be black or navy.

#### **Additional Information**

In order to return misplaced items of clothing, please label your child's uniform. Name tags inside items of clothing will suffice, and only these are acceptable. Children should not have their name or initials showing on any exterior part of their uniform.

If you are ever in any doubt about our uniform requirements, please check with the members of staff in the office.

#### **Book bags**

Book bags which carry the school logo are available from our suppliers. We recommend that these are used, as they are strong and well-designed, in helping carry books and work, to and from school.

The Governing Body formulated this policy in line with the aims, goals and vision of the academy, taking into account the long traditions and history of the school. The governors see the wearing of school uniform as compulsory as it adds to the high expectations and enhances the standards of The Priory Catholic Voluntary Academy – pupils who attend the academy are renowned for looking smart in the local area.

The Governing body delegate their duties to the Headteacher who is the sole arbiter in all matters relating to the school uniform and personal appearance.