



Blessed Robert Widmerpool Catholic Voluntary Academy

School Uniform and Appearance Policy

Blessed Robert Widmerpool pupils wear their uniform with pride. The school uniform shows that children are part of the Blessed Robert Widmerpool community. The school has the highest expectations of pupils with regards to school uniform and appearance. High standards promote positive behaviour, support effective teaching and learning and contribute to the ethos of Blessed Robert Widmerpool.

Aims and objectives

The Blessed Robert Widmerpool policy aims to:

- Engender a sense of community and belonging to Blessed Robert Widmerpool
- Instil a sense of pride and loyalty in the School
- Make children feel equal to their peers in terms of appearance
- Be practical and smart and ready to learn
- Be fair and promote equality

Policy Guidelines

All students should wear their uniform when attending school, when representing the school or when participating in an event organised by the school.

All parents should support the School Uniform and Appearance Policy. Parents are expected to send their children to school dressed correctly, ready for their studies, ensuring that the uniform is clean and in good repair.

All staff will support the School Uniform and Appearance Policy by promoting and maintaining high expectations with regards to uniform and appearance in lessons.

The Governing Body is responsible for implementing the School Uniform and Appearance Policy. And will liaise with the Headteacher to ensure that the policy is implemented fairly and with sensitivity, and that it meets all regulations relating to equal opportunities.

Blessed Robert Widmerpool welcomes children from all backgrounds and faith communities. If any parents would like the School to modify the School Uniform and Appearance Policy (e.g. on religious grounds), they should make a written representation in the first instance to the Headteacher - the Governing Body will consider such requests sympathetically.

Uniform

Foundation Stage Uniform

- White polo tops
- Grey trousers for boys
- Grey skirts/pinafores for girls
- No Tie
- Black school shoes
- White/Grey socks or black/grey/green tights

School Uniform

- White shirt
- BRW School Tie
- Green school cardigan for girls
- Green school jumper for boys
- Grey trousers/shorts for boys
- Grey skirts or pinafores for girls
- Black/white/grey socks
- Black/grey tights

Appearance

Hair

- Hair that is shoulder length should be tied back
- Hair accessories should be small, discrete and in school colours – green, grey or black
- Hair should be cut no shorter than a grade number 2 with no patterns or tam lines

Jewellery

Children are not permitted to wear jewellery on Health and Safety grounds, except for wrist watches or small silver or gold studded earrings. If pupils have pierced ears, these must be removed for P.E. and swimming. Staff cannot support with the removal of earrings

Footwear

Black school shoes should be worn. Trainers are NOT allowed to be worn at any time other than for PE lessons and playtime.

Boots (wellingtons are allowed in wet weather/snow but must be changed when inside the school building).

Non-compliance with the School Uniform and Appearance Policy

Pupils who come into school with inappropriate footwear will be requested to go to the School Office who will contact the parents to request that the correct footwear be brought into school. If this is not possible, pupils will be provided with a pair of PE pumps to wear until the end of the school day.

Persistent and defiant non-compliance with the School Uniform and Appearance Policy will result in an appropriate sanction.

Conclusion:

Blessed Robert Widmerpool is very proud of the high standards we achieve in all areas of school life. Pupils represent not only themselves but also their families and communities and we therefore ask that pupils maintain a high standard of appearance and wear their uniform with pride at all times.

Dissemination of this Policy

All staff members and governors will receive a copy of this policy. The policy will be reviewed in September 2018