

This policy has been written by the school, building on East Renfrewshire Council guidance [Dressing for Excellence](#).



Our policy regarding school uniform is set out in the school handbook. This reflects the [Dressing for Excellence](#) policy that is produced by East Renfrewshire Council on school uniform to be adopted across the authority.

The policy aims – among other things – to encourage a strong community ethos within the school, to ensure children wear appropriate and practical clothing to school, to reduce bullying / teasing and to discourage undue focus on fashion and brands. We are confident you will support these important aims.

Whilst we appreciate finances are challenging for many, we do feel that school uniform need not be unduly expensive. As well as the excellent offers in many of the chains / supermarkets, Academy Uniforms stock the school branded items at very reasonable prices and of high quality. Academy Uniforms has a uniform night in the school and supplies uniform through the school during the year. The school is also looking at ways to help with second hand uniform sales to help parents/carers maximise value. Clothing grants are also available (see the [school handbook](#))

To ensure continued improvements in raising the standards of Our Lady of the Missions uniform in line with the Dressing for Excellence policy we therefore strongly endorse and recommend the following:

**Blazers** - the wearing of blazers by all year groups to consolidate school identity throughout the school and wider community. A dark coloured cagoule in your child's bag can help get more wear out of blazers in unpredictable weather.

**Outdoor Jackets / coats** - jackets should be navy and we strongly recommend the practical range of school branded jackets that can be supplied by Academy Uniforms at prices ranging from £16-£22. If the school branded jacket is not worn, jackets should still be navy or black, of a plain design and with no obvious logos.

**PE** - school branded polo shirts and sweatshirts should be worn where at all possible. These items can be purchased from Academy Uniforms at very reasonable prices of approx. £8 and £9 respectively. Tracksuits and shorts should be plain and navy

**Shirt and tie** - P6 and P7 pupils should wear shirt and tie every day.

**Skirts** - please choose navy skirts of a traditional, plain style which are around knee length.

**School Tie**- should be worn to the correct length and in the correct style.

**Footwear** – Black, sensible shoes (not trainers or trainer style shoes) should be worn. No

other form of footwear is acceptable though common sense prevails in bad weather.

**Jewellery / make up** - no jewellery, make-up or nail polish should be worn at school.