

## School uniform policy

Given that there is a substantial parental and public approval of uniform, schools in South Ayrshire are free to encourage the wearing of school uniform. In encouraging the wearing of uniform, account must be taken in any proposals to prevent any direct or indirect discrimination on the grounds of race or gender. Any proposals will be the subject of widespread consultation with parents and pupils. Against this background it should be noted that it is the policy of South Ayrshire Council not to insist on pupils wearing uniform or having specialist items of clothing as a prerequisite to their attending and engaging in all of the activities of the curriculum.

There are forms of dress, which are unacceptable in school, such as items of clothing which:-

- potentially, encourage friction (such as football colours);
- could cause offence (such as anti-religious symbolism or political slogans);
- could cause health and safety difficulties, such as loose fitting clothing, dangling earrings, are made from flammable material, in practical classes;
- could cause damage to flooring;
- carry advertising, particularly for alcohol or tobacco; and could be used to inflict damage on other pupils or be used by others to do so.

In St Patrick's Primary children are proud to wear their uniform and do so consistently.

Uniform consist of:

Boys:                Black or grey shorts or long trousers.  
                          Green sweatshirt, jumper or cardigan with green, white polo-shirt or school shirt with school tie.  
                          Green blazer (optional)

Girls:                School kilt, grey skirt or pinafore.  
                          Green sweatshirt, jumper or cardigan with green, white polo-shirt or school shirt with school tie.  
                          Green blazer (optional)

In P7 **ONLY** there is an option of a green hooded St Patrick's sweatshirt to be worn from January of the session.