



# ST JAMES'

CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL

8<sup>th</sup> March 2019

Dear Parent/Carer

As you will be aware we are in a period of change at St James' with our new Headteacher moving our St James' family to the next level of excellence underpinned by our faith.

One of the changes we are making is to our school uniform from **September 2019**. This decision has not been taken lightly and has involved working with staff, parents, students and Governors, who have all agreed this decision. Mr Pontifex has delivered assemblies to the pupils this week, informing them of these small changes. Detailed below:

- A new school tie – plain dark blue with the school badge in the centre (a different coloured badge per year of entry)
- A new school badge to replace the current one on the blazer
- The blazer will remain in Year 11 (no maroon jumper)
- Black trousers only

The new tie will cost £9.50. However, we understand that uniform can be costly so we are going to provide (with the help of the PTA) the new tie for every current Year 7-10 pupil on roll, **free of charge**.

The new school badge will cost £5. All current Year 7-10 pupils will receive a voucher to this cost which can be exchanged for either a free badge at Monkhouses, for you to sew onto a current blazer or, the voucher can be used to reduce the cost of a new blazer with the new badge already sewn on.

In addition to the above we also intend to alter our PE kit from **September 2020**. More details of this will follow next academic year with plenty of advanced notification.

I have enclosed a full uniform list for the academic year 2019/2020.

Please do not hesitate to contact me at school if you have any queries.

Yours sincerely

Mrs E Keenan  
Assistant Headteacher Pastoral

Mr A Pontifex  
Headteacher



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## Uniform

Below is a list of uniform items that are mandatory for your child to attend St James' Catholic High School. All items are essential unless otherwise indicated.

Items marked with a \* are available to purchase from F R Monkhouse in Cheadle Hulme Precinct, Davensport in Davenport and Debonair in Wythenshawe.

## Girls

- Navy blue blazer with the updated school badge
- Navy blue box pleated on the knee skirt (not drop waist) **OR** black trousers with school trim\*
- White shirt style blouse (not open neck)
- Clip-on school tie
- White, black or navy blue under the knee socks **OR** thick black tights
- Dark brown or black shoes (not pumps, trainers or boots)
- *Suitable outdoor coat (no hoodies/jumpers)*

## Boys

- Navy blue blazer with the updated school badge
- Black trousers
- White shirt
- Clip-on school tie
- Plain black socks
- Dark brown or black shoes (not pumps, trainers or boots)
- *Suitable outdoor coat (no hoodies/jumpers)*

## Girls PE Kit

- Black shorts or plain black skirt
- White polo shirt with school logo\*
- Sports trainers
- School navy blue fleece\* with school logo
- White ankle socks **AND** navy blue sports socks
- Shin pads
- Gum shield
- Astro trainers (recommended)
- *Bobble - blue or black (hair must be tied back for PE lessons)*
- **KS4 Only** – Black leggings with school logo embroidered (only available at Monkhouses)
- We advise the purchase of sports goggles for all sporting activities, where eye injuries could be possible (for those students who wear spectacles)

## Boys PE Kit

- Black shadow striped shorts
- White polo shirt with school logo\*
- Navy blue (reversible gold) rugby jersey\*
- Sports trainers
- White ankle socks **AND** navy blue sports socks
- Shin pads
- Gum shield
- Astro trainers
- Football boots
- We advise the purchase of sports goggles for all sporting activities, where eye injuries could be possible (for those students who wear spectacles)



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## Dress Code

At St James' Catholic High School all students are expected to uphold our high standards of appearance and dress. To help clarify these standards please find detailed below the main points of the schools code of dress. However more detail can be found on the website in the uniform policy.

### St James' Dress Code

- Top buttons on shirts and blouses must be fastened, open neck blouses are not allowed.
- Clip on ties to be worn.
- Skirts should be worn on or just above the knee.
- Trousers must be tailored and worn around the waist.
- Blazers should be worn at all times unless permission to remove it has been given by the class teacher. Sleeves must be worn at full length.
- Tights or socks must be plain and of school colour as listed in the uniform list and must not be worn together. Leggings are not acceptable.
- Shoes must be black or dark brown leather or leather style. Canvas shoes, pumps, trainers or boots are not permitted.

Hairstyles must be sensible and tidy and of a **natural** colour. Hair adornments should be discreet. Extreme hairstyles are forbidden. Shaven sides, fades and shades, "Mohicans" or purple in colour are examples of extreme hairstyles. If in doubt please seek advice from your Form Tutor, Head of Year or Pastoral Manager before having it styled.

Jewellery of any kind is not to be worn. Jewellery worn in school will be confiscated and returned only to an adult.

Make-up and nail polish is not permitted to be worn in school. Students will be asked to remove any worn. False nails/acrylic nails are also not permitted.

The Headteacher has the right to send a pupil home to put on the correct uniform or otherwise adjust their appearance, in line with the school's uniform policy.