



The Two Way Street

Welcome to the fourth edition of St John's Two Way Street.

You may be beginning to think about buying new school uniforms for September. Wearing the uniform helps to create a feeling of identity within the school, eliminates competition and maintains smartness without the need for repeated expense. We aim to encourage a sense of pride and belonging.

What is the Winter uniform?

Girls can wear blue shirts with a school tie and a navy blue jumper or cardigan. They may wear navy blue skirts or trousers and plain white socks or navy/black tights.

Boys can wear blue shirts with a school tie, a navy blue jumper, grey trousers and plain socks.

What shoes are allowed?

Children should wear black shoes or boots in Winter. Trainers and logos are not allowed as they can encourage competition and put pressure on children and parents to buy expensive brands.

What is the correct PE kit?

PE is an important part of the curriculum and children should keep a kit in school at all times. The kit is made up of a yellow PE polo shirt and royal blue shorts or a gym skirt for girls. In Winter, children may feel more comfortable in a plain tracksuit. Black pumps should be worn indoors although trainers are allowed for outdoor use only.

What is an excessive haircut?

We do not allow excessive haircuts. This includes tram lines, V cuts or designs cut into hair, dying or highlighting, mohican cuts or rats tails. This again causes unnecessary competition, potential name calling and can be an expense for some parents. Similar problems can arise with tattoos and nail varnish which is not allowed in school.

Can I get help towards the cost of the uniform?

If you are entitled to free school meals, you may be entitled to a school uniform grant. You can apply for a grant through the charity W.J. Croft- application forms are available in school.

How can I stop items from going missing?

Label everything! We end each term with bags of lost property and lots of navy jumpers that children don't recognise. We return everything that has a label in. Please mark labels with a permanent marker or a sewn/iron in label. www.wovenlabelsuk.com

If you have any comments, concerns or questions - why don't you email us on our brand new address specifically for the 'Two Way Street'

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