



Saint Augustine's Catholic Primary School
Executive Headteacher: Mrs J Walsh

"We come to school to live and learn happily together by loving ourselves and each other as Jesus teaches us"

Friday 21st March 2025

Dear Parents,

I am writing to you regarding the change to school uniform at St Augustine's Catholic Primary School that will be introduced from this September, 2025. This letter is to give you advance warning of this change and to ensure that if you are buying items of school uniform between now and the start of the new academic year that you are aware of the new requirements.

The change is being introduced to improve the current standard of the striped dresses being worn by the girls in school, and to ensure that we have a cost effective, smart uniform that is a representation of the high standards we uphold.

A number of parents have recently approached me about the poor quality, and cost of the girls' summer striped dresses. The current striped dress cost in the region of £19.00 per dress.

After surveying the local supermarkets, one can purchase two gingham school dresses for £10.00 a pack. After consultation with the senior leaders of St Augustine's and considering the new 'Children's Wellbeing and School Bill', I would like to change the summer girls' dresses to the light blue gingham school dress. To consider the cost and the fact that some parents may have purchased striped dresses in preparation for the summer, this process will be a gradual one across the year.



Furthermore, St Augustine's is being invited to a number of sporting events and tournaments. In order to represent the school as one body, the new PE t-shirts will be navy blue with the school logo on the front. The t-shirt is priced at £10.00 including the logo from KidsConnection Hertford. The material is F.LITE Micromesh 100% RePET Recycled Polyester, which is lightweight and durable, designed for the primary school market. It provides 35UPF protection from harmful rays, has overstitched seams to enhance design and durability, and is quick-drying to support daily wear. This new PE t-shirt will be used for all events, tournaments, and PE in school and will eventually replace the coloured t-shirts.

Both of these changes will be a gradual process across the year to ease and hopefully help with the financial burden of uniforms over time.

I hope the advance notice of this new requirement will enable you to plan your uniform purchases for the new academic year. Thank you in advance for your co-operation in this matter and for your support for the standards we wish to uphold as a school.

Kind regards,

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