



Uniform Policy Sept 2026

Whoever wears the school uniform represents every past and present pupil of St Bernard's Catholic High School. Students aspire to be committed learners and exceptional people at all times and therefore strive to live out our virtues both in school and the wider community.

- Students should behave as young gentlemen and ladies in speech, manner and personal appearance.
- Students should act with integrity and doing the right thing even when nobody else is looking.
- Students should be attentional to others around them thereby acting with utmost decorum and good grace.

Lower school uniform - Years 7, 8 and 9



Blazer

The blazer should be blue with the St Bernard's badge



Shirt

Light blue, plain conventional style blouse or shirt, short or long sleeved



Tie

Maroon tie with one yellow stripe throughout and the school badge



Jumper

Optional grey v-neck jumper with the St Bernard's badge

Please note: blazer must be worn unless permission has been given to remove it.

Upper school uniform - Years 10 and 11



Jumper

Blue school jumper with the St Bernard's badge



Tie

Maroon tie with one yellow stripe throughout and the school badge.
Prefects wear a different, blue tie with the school badge on.



Shirt

Light blue, plain conventional style blouse or shirt, short or long sleeved

Please note: jumper must be worn unless permission has been given to remove it.

All year groups

	Girls	Boys
Socks	White/grey socks	Grey/black socks
Tights	Plain black opaque tights Patterned tights are not permitted	
Trousers	Mid-grey trousers Skinny trousers are not permitted	Mid-grey trousers Skinny trousers are not permitted
Skirt	Mid-grey skirt Skirts should be worn just above the knee and not rolled up.	

Footwear

- Formal black leather/leather look school shoes with a low broad heel (no wooden/cork)
- Trainers, 'trainer style' shoes or boots are not allowed
- No colours, logos or football badges allowed
- All shoes must be clearly below ankle height

Some examples are below:

Example shoes that DO meet the uniform policy



Example shoes that DO NOT meet the uniform policy



Coats

The jacket/coat should be plain/dark coloured (no denim/leather coats allowed)
No hoodies/tracksuit tops allowed

Jewellery/make-up

- One pair of plain, stud earrings
- No hooped earrings
- No nose/facial piercings
- No necklaces
- No bracelets
- One ring can be worn
- One watch- Smart watches are not allowed
- No false nails or nail varnish

Hairstyles

Students must ensure that their hair is smart in appearance and natural in colour.

- No lines/patterns should be shaved into the hair or eyebrows
- No large hair accessories should be worn
- Any unnatural hair dyes (such as green, blue, red or purple) are not permitted

PE

Compulsory

Blue school sports t-shirt	
Maroon shadow shorts	
Maroon games socks	
Sports trainers	
Either or both	
Maroon school hoodie	
Maroon school rugby top - <i>highly recommended if students are aiming to be involved in boys rugby teams</i>	
Optional	
School tracksuit bottoms- <i>these are the only tracksuit bottoms that we allow for lessons</i>	
School navy blue sports leggings - <i>these are the only leggings that we allow for lessons</i>	
Additional safety items that students may need access throughout the year	
● Football boots ● Shin guards ● Gum shields	

School Bag

- Must be a suitable size bag for carrying equipment and books
- Handbags are not permitted
- Pouches or 'Manbags' are not allowed in school.

Equipment

At St Bernard's, we have the highest expectations of our students. Their learning is incredibly important to us, so they must be prepared with the correct equipment to maximise their learning potential. At St Bernard's, we expect every student to have at least the following equipment every day for every lesson:

- A 30cm (in length) clear pencil case
- 2 black or blue biro pens
- 1 green pen
- 1 pencil
- 1 pencil sharpener
- 1 eraser
- A 30cm ruler
- 1 glue stick
- 1 highlighter
- A scientific calculator

Branded items:

In line with DfE guidance on school uniform costs, we limit the number of compulsory branded items. At St Bernard's, the required branded items are:

- A St Bernard's tie
- A St Bernard's blazer or jumper (depending on Key Stage)
- A St Bernard's PE sports t-shirt
- Either a St Bernard's rugby top or PE hoodie

Second hand items:

We are committed to making our school uniform as affordable as possible for all families. Second-hand uniform items are available – please enquire at the school office if you would like to access these.

In line with DfE guidance, we actively support the availability of second-hand uniform to help reduce costs for parents and carers.