



School Uniform and Equipment Policy

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1 Purpose of this Policy

Our uniform was designed jointly by St Christopher's and Zaks. The materials, colours and trims were carefully selected; indeed some of the fabrics are unique to St Chris and have been woven especially for us.

It is important to preserve the excellent appearance of the uniform and to have consistency across the school. To help ensure this, our preferred and designated supplier is Zaks: only they can guarantee that the uniform matches the required specification. The only exceptions to this are shoes, socks and tights, which may easily be purchased from other retailers - although Zaks are able to provide assistance with some of these items as well.

PE kit should also be purchased from Zaks along with St Christopher's required swimming kit. The school fleece for Nursery to Year 11 is available from Zaks, whereas the school fleece for the Sixth Form can be purchased from the Senior School Reception. The Senior School Drama Uniform is also available from the Senior School Reception.

For Primary School children, other St Chris branded items, such as the school tracksuit, book and PE bags, school hats etc, are also available for purchase from the Primary School Reception.

Parents must ensure all uniform, PE kit and school items are clearly labelled with the pupil's name and class. Problems or concerns with any items of school uniform should be brought to the attention of the School.

2 Nursery and Reception Official Uniform

2.1 Boys

- St Chris Blue Quick-Dry polo-style shirt with school logo
- St Chris Red knitted "Pill Troll" jumper with school logo
- St Chris Charcoal, herringbone shorts
- Charcoal/dark grey socks
- Black velcro fastening shoes ("Buckle Up" shoe range is available at Zaks)
- In winter months, children can supplement these with a St Chris tracksuit.

2.2 Girls

- St Chris Blue Quick-Dry polo-style shirt with school logo
- St Chris Red knitted "Pill Troll" jumper with school logo
- St Chris Tartan culottes

OR

- St Chris Tartan dress
- White socks (optionally with school logo – available from Zaks)
- Black velcro fastening shoes ("Buckle Up" shoe range is available at Zaks)
- In winter months, children can supplement these with a St Chris tracksuit.



3 Year 1 - Year 6 Official Uniform

3.1 Boys

- St Chris Cornflower Blue shirt in the St Chris material with school logo
- St Chris Charcoal, herringbone shorts
- From 1 December to 31 March each year, boys may wear either St Chris Charcoal, herringbone long-legged trousers or St Chris Charcoal, herringbone shorts
- St Chris Red knitted "Pill Troll" jumper with school logo
- Charcoal/dark grey socks
- Conventional black polished leather shoes ("Buckle Up" shoe range is available at Zaks).

3.2 Girls

- St Chris Cornflower Blue blouse, in the St Chris material with school logo and red trim
- White socks (optional with school logo – available from Zaks)
- St Chris Tartan culottes

OR

- St Chris Tartan dress
- St Chris Red knitted "Pill Troll" jumper with school logo
- From 1 December to 31 March each year, girls will be allowed to wear white, cream or navy blue tights
- Conventional black polished leather shoes (not open sandals or trainers)
- All girls performing in choir or music concerts are required to wear the school dress.

4 Year 7 - Year 11 Official Uniform

4.1 Boys

- St Chris Cornflower Blue shirt with school logo
- St Chris Charcoal, herringbone trousers with school logo
- St Chris Red-striped tie
- St Chris Red knitted "Pill Troll" jumper with school logo
- Charcoal/black socks
- Conventional black polished leather shoes (not open sandals or trainers).

4.2 Girls

- St Chris Cornflower Blue red-trimmed blouse with school logo
- St Chris Tartan skirt or made-to-order St Chris Tartan culottes. The length of skirts and culottes should be such that the hem touches part of the kneecap when standing

OR



- St Chris Charcoal, herringbone girls trousers with school logo
NB St Chris Tartan skirt **or** the St Chris Tartan culottes are to be worn by all senior girls for formal occasions
- St Chris Red knitted “Pill Troll” jumper with school logo
- White socks (optional with school logo – available from Zaks). Socks should be worn up to ankle level (not be tucked into the back of the shoe) and must not have any additional design or decoration.
- Plain non-patterned navy or black opaque tights may be worn in winter
- Conventional black or navy polished leather shoes, heels to be no higher than 4cm.

5 Sixth Form (Years 12 and 13) Dress Code

As recognition of a student’s growing maturity and independence, our dress code is based upon business principles. We believe the dress code promotes an adult image and strikes a balance between some degree of individuality whilst recognising the importance of setting an example to the younger members of the school community, parents and visitors to the school. If a student does not conform to the dress code regulations below, he/she may be sent home to change before being allowed to attend classes.

5.1 Boys

- black business trousers¹
- white shirt
- school tie worn conventionally (purchased from Zaks)
- smart black formal shoes (leather and polishable)

Boys can wear a plain black V neck jumper. Trousers should be worn on the waist not around the hips. Bracelets/wristbands must be smart and kept to a minimum.

5.2 Girls

- black business trousers² or skirts (no shorter than knee length)
- white shirt (with collar; buttons; sleeves covering the upper arm; non-transparent; not too loose or too tight)
- smart black formal shoes (leather and polishable)

Girls can wear a plain black V neck jumper or black cardigan on top of their shirt. Jewellery, make up and nail polish are allowed but should be minimal and discreet. Bracelets/wristbands must be smart and kept to a minimum. Fine or opaque (navy/black/flesh-coloured) tights may be worn.

¹ Jeans or trousers with the cut and/or pocket design of jeans are not permitted at any time.

² Jeans or trousers with the cut and/or pocket design of jeans are not permitted at any time. Jeggings or leggings are also not considered business wear.



6 Cold Weather

6.1 Nursery to Year 11

In cooler weather, all pupils may wear the school fleece, a jacket or coat in addition to the school jumper when outside the school buildings. The school fleece, jackets or coats must not be worn inside classrooms. The school fleece is blue from Nursery to Year 11.

6.2 Sixth Form

As part of the Sixth Form dress code, boys can wear a plain black V neck jumper and girls can wear a plain black V neck jumper or black cardigan. Should students need anything in addition, they may wear the school Sixth Form grey fleece.

Please note that other sweatshirts, fleeces, tops or jackets with “hoodies” are not permitted, including the Sixth Form “hoodies” purchased by students as a memento of their time in the Sixth Form. This was a condition agreed with the students when these were introduced.

In the colder and wet weather, a smart black/charcoal grey jacket with an appropriate collar and zip or button-up design may be worn. These are not to be worn in lessons.

7 PE Clothing

PE clothing should be purchased from Zaks. The school tracksuit for Infant and Junior pupils can be purchased from the Primary School Reception.

7.1 Nursery to Year 6 – Boys and Girls

- St Chris Red PE polo shirt
- St Chris Blue PE shorts
- House T-shirt
- School tracksuit (optional)
- White socks (optional with school logo – available from Zaks)
- Non-marking sports shoes/trainers

7.2 Year 7 to Year 11 – Boys and Girls

- St Chris Red PE polo shirt
- St Chris Blue PE shorts
- House T-shirt
- White socks (optional with school logo – available from Zaks)
- Non-marking sports shoes/trainers
- Football boots, socks and shin pads (boys only)

In the cooler months pupils can wear the school tracksuit as a supplement to the PE uniform.



7.3 Sixth Form (Years 12 and 13)

Appropriate exercise clothing must be worn to all PE lessons.

8 Swimming Clothing

All pupils are required to wear St Christopher's swimming kit.

8.1 Boys

- Swimming trunks/shorts
- Swimming cap (optional)
- Goggles (optional)
- Towel
- Flip flops

8.2 Girls

- One-piece swimsuit
- Swimming cap (compulsory for long hair)
- Goggles (optional)
- Towel
- Flip flops

For Infant Pupils - if your child has swimming in the morning, they must come to school wearing their House T-shirt and PE shorts over the top of their swimwear.

9 Drama Uniform (Senior School Only)

St Christopher's School has a Drama uniform which students are expected to wear during drama lessons. This consists of black trousers and a black top, and can be purchased from the Senior School Reception.

10 Hair/Hair Ornaments

All pupils should have conventional hairstyles:

- Long hair must be neat and tidy, tied back and kept off the face
- For Health and Safety reasons, the excessive use of wax or gel is not allowed and long hair must tie it back from the face in lessons
- Hair should not be beaded
- Tramlines are not allowed
- Any artificial change in hair colour should have a natural appearance
- Hair ornaments should be functional, kept to a minimum and be either in a neutral colour or one that is in keeping with the uniform.



11 Makeup

Makeup is not allowed. Sixth Form girls may wear light makeup.

12 Body Adornment

Nail varnish (including toe nails), transfers, tattoos and studs in any part of the face (including the tongue) are not permitted.

13 Jewellery

No jewellery should be worn, with the exception that girls with pierced ears may wear a small, plain pair of metal studs worn in the conventional position in the earlobe. Multiple earrings are not permitted and friendship bands etc are not to be worn.

14 Footwear

- Pupils must keep their shoes polished
- Trainers are only to be worn for PE
- Boots may be worn during cooler weather but must be in keeping with the school uniform (ie black or blue)
- In wet weather, pupils may wear 'Wellington' boots but should change into their school shoes once in classrooms.

15 Equipment

15.1 Primary School

From January 2016, all Year 2 to Year 6 pupils are required to bring an iPad to school each day. Further details regarding specifications can be obtained by contacting ipadstchris@gmail.com

15.2 Senior School

Senior students must have the following with them each day:

- Blue or black ink pens
- Ruler
- Spare pens
- Calculator (see Section 15.3 - Specialist Equipment, page 3)
- Pencils
- Glue stick
- Coloured pencils
- Scissors (small pair)
- Pencil eraser
- Pencil sharpener.



15.3 Specialist Equipment

English

- Small, pocket dictionary (access to a larger dictionary at home is desirable).

Arabic, French and Spanish

- Small, English – Arabic – English dictionary (Al Mawrid is recommended.)
- Small, English – French – English dictionary
- Small, English – Spanish – English dictionary.

Mathematics

- Protractor, compasses, scientific calculator. The recommended calculator is a CASIO model with the word Natural in the title eg fx-82ES (Natural Textbook Display).