# St. Joseph's NS, Bree/SN Seosamh, Brí School Uniform Policy 

## Introduction

This policy was initially drawn up in consultation with the staff, parents and children of St. Joseph's NS, Bree in 2013.

## Rationale

This policy was drawn up with the aims of:

- Reducing expenses for parents by focusing on non-branded clothing.
- Reducing 'fashion competition' among children, and consequent financial pressure on parents, by specifying a uniform.
- Specifying a uniform that is neat, smart, practical, and allows for ease of movement in PE classes and play at breaktimes.


## Uniform

The school uniform is:

- Crested, navy crewneck.
- White polo shirt.
- Plain navy tracksuit bottoms (loosefitting).
Or
- Plain navy shorts (mid-thigh and loosefitting).


Please see the photo opposite for further clarity.

- All items should be free of advertisements and logos (e.g. Adidas, Puma, Nike, etc.). This is to keep down the cost for parents as branded items are usually much more expensive.
- $6^{\text {th }}$ class pupils can wear the special $6^{\text {th }}$ class crewneck.
- Pupils receiving the sacrament of Confirmation wear an outfit of their choosing, appropriate to the solemnity of the ceremony.


## Jewellery

Pupils should avoid wearing jewellery because of the dangers of accidents occurring during break-times or PE classes. The school reserves the right to exclude children from break-time and PE activities if jewellery is worn. Stud-type earrings may be worn.

## School Rules

- Pupils should wear the correct uniform at all times.
- If a pupil cannot wear the uniform, his/her parents should write in a note to their child's teacher.
- The school will use positive reinforcement, regular reminders and education in implementing the school uniform policy. Children may also be given a card to get signed by their parents - see below. However, the school may ring parents to come and collect children who do not wear the school uniform, or who do not bring in an explanation note.

We ask parents to support the policy and to ensure that the correct uniform is provided to their children.

Reviewed and ratified by the Board of Management on the $2^{\text {nd }}$ of October 2023.
Signed: Fr. Michael Byrne
(Chairperson, Board of Management)

| Uniform Problem |
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| Dear parent, your child was not |
| wearing the correct school uniform |
| today. Please ensure that the |
| correct school uniform is worn |
| each day. |
| Shorts - plain navy, loose, mid- |
| thigh |
| Tracksuit bottoms - plain navy, |
| loose |

