



School Uniform Policy

During the 2024/2025 school year we consulted with our parents, pupils and teachers on our school uniform. The pupils voted for our new tracksuit which was introduced in August 2025. Following this consultation process the school asks each child to wear our school uniform. This is very beneficial to the children, and it is important that every effort is made to ensure your child is wearing our full school uniform as it encourages children to develop a sense of identity, responsibility and belonging.

Kiltale National School (Kiltale NS) seeks to promote and support all aspects of the children's wellbeing as a core value of our ethos. We strive to ensure that all our students can flourish in an environment that is nurturing, supportive and progressive. We are guided by our mission statement, the aim of which is to ensure that each child, through confidence and self-belief may achieve their full potential and we believe that this can be achieved when wellbeing is present. Our understanding of wellbeing is in keeping with the World Health Organisation definition of wellbeing being present "when a person realises their potential, is resilient in dealing with the normal stresses of their life, takes care of their physical wellbeing and has a sense of purpose, connection and belonging to a wider community. It is a fluid way of being and needs nurturing throughout life." (WHO, 2001)

School Uniform:

Children in **Junior Infants to 2nd Class** will only wear the School Tracksuit consisting of -

- New school tracksuit top and bottoms
- Blue polo t-shirt,
- Runners.

Please note that only Junior Infants from 2025/26 will be expected to purchase the new school tracksuit. All existing school tracksuits that have been purchased by parents will still be permitted as part of the school uniform. In the future, the new school tracksuit should be purchased and will be available in Ted Murtagh's, Trim.

Children in **3rd to 6th Class** will wear the School Uniform consisting of -

- grey trousers
- grey skirt/ pinafore
- wine v-neck jumper with crest,



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- blue shirt or polo shirt
- wine and silver striped tie
- black shoes
- PE Uniform - They will wear their tracksuit on PE days **ONLY** unless otherwise told.
 - wine PE jumper with crest - please buy the New tracksuit jumper from 25/26
 - black tracksuit bottoms
 - runners for PE

This decision was made to mark the pupils' transition to the senior end of the school. Moreover, it will assist pupils as they prepare for their transfer to post-primary school where the traditional and more formal uniform styles are commonplace and mandatory.

School Uniforms are available from Ted Murtagh's, Haggard street, Trim.

For the months of May, June and September black cotton shorts can be worn with a sky-blue polo t-shirt and your crested uniform jumper or PE top depending on which class you are in, due to the weather generally being warmer during these months. Children who do not wish to wear shorts during the months of May, June and September, should wear the black bottoms. **NO GAA colours and / or branded shorts / bottoms are permitted**, e.g., Kiltale GAA bottoms / shorts, Soccer shorts, etc.

Jewellery / Watches / Glasses:

A simple stud earring is permitted. Dangling / long / looped earrings, bracelets and necklaces are prohibited for health and safety reasons. Make up of any description is not permitted in school. NO internet enabled watches are permitted at any time. Regular watches are permitted however, pupils will be required to remove watches during Physical Education and other activities where the class teacher deems it a health and safety risk. Children with glasses should bring their storage case to school so they can be stored safely and securely.

The Board of Management cannot be held responsible for loss or damage caused to any pupils personal property or items.

Hair:

Children are asked to keep their hair neat and tidy. Long hair must be tied back in the interests of health, safety and hygiene.



Rationale and Values underlying the Uniform Policy:

- Fostering our own school identity and pride;
- Equality and inclusion;
- Encourage good discipline, self-control and respect for rules;
- Professionalism prepares pupils for future environments where dress codes maybe required e.g., post-primary school, etc.;
- Increases safety and security for our pupils;
- Well being for all.

Desired outcomes of Uniform Policy:

- Improved sense of belonging and school identity;
- Sense of equality and equity increased;
- Standardisation of the dress code;
- Neat and tidy and more confident pupils;
- Cost effective for parents;
- Reduced incidents of bullying behaviours;
- Reduced peer pressure incidents;
- Improvement in pupil behaviours and overall discipline.

Sanctions

As the [Code of Behaviour](#) (COB) states **“Not wearing correct full uniform”** is a Minor Misdemeanor the sanctions for all Minor Misdemeanors will apply. Our COB states this is a small scale misdemeanor but it will be monitored and dealt with according to a staged build up of sanctions. If a continuous breach of this rule persists, it will be dealt with as a Serious Misdemeanor.



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Ratification and Review:

This policy was ratified by the Board of Management of Kiltale NS in December 2025.
It will be reviewed on a regular basis or if changes are needed.

Implementation:

N.B. The Board of Management reserves the right to authorise the insertion of a new rule/clause if deemed necessary to preserve the safety, health, wellbeing and welfare of the general school body.

Signed: Maura Dineen
(Chairperson of Board of Management)

Date: 11/12/2025

Signed: Colin McEvoy
(Principal)

Date: 11/12/2025