Dress Code & Uniforms

At St. James School students wear uniforms not to hide their individuality, but to reveal it. As clothes no longer are a focus, one's personality and beauty shines through all the more clearly.

All students must be in uniform every day. There will be non-uniform days which will be announced during the course of the school year (a dress code for such days is included in this section). If there is a time when the prescribed uniform cannot for some legitimate reason be worn, a note from the parent/guardian must be written to the Principal. Students who are out of uniform without this excuse will be sent to the office and the parent will be called to bring the proper clothing. It is deemed wise for a child's name to be on the inside label of each article of clothing.

Students in Preschool and Kindergarten: Students in preschool and kindergarten classes do not wear the school uniform. Clothing should be weather-appropriate and in good condition without stains or holes. Shoes should be of the appropriate size and have good support. No flip-flops please, as these pose a danger on stairs.

ALL students: Hair is to be neat and clean and away from students' eyes. Boys' hair should be above the collar and trimmed around the ears. No unusual hair styles or coloring of any kind, including tinting or highlight are permitted. Fingernails should be neat and not grown beyond the end of the fingertips. Nail polish, artificial nails and makeup are not appropriate in this setting. Excessive jewelry may not be worn. Large dangling earrings are not permitted. Boys may not wear earrings. No body piercings or visible tattoos, permanent or temporary.

Dress code for Non-Uniform Days: Jeans may be worn and should be in good condition with no holes or stains. Shirts must be modest and there must be no vulgar or angry pictures or writing. Sneakers may be worn, and should be in good condition. St. James sweatshirts may be worn in place of a sweater.

	Girls' gr. 1-3	Girls' gr. 4-7	Girls' gr. 8	Boys' gr. 1-7	Boys' gr. 8
Jumper/Kilt	Plaid jumper	Knee-length navy blue kilt			
Shirts	White long or short sleeve peter pan blouse or polo^	White long or short sleeve oxford blouse or polo^	Red polo shirt with SJS logo	White long or short sleeve dress shirt or polo	Red polo shirt with SJS logo
Pants/Shorts	Navy blue slacks* Nov-March, navy blue walking shorts Aug-Oct, Apr-June	Navy blue slacks* Nov-March, navy blue walking shorts Aug-Oct, Apr-June, both worn with brown or black belt	Tan slacks* Nov- March, tan walking shorts Aug-Oct, Apr-June	Navy blue slacks* Nov- March, navy blue walking shorts Aug- Oct, Apr-June	Tan slacks* Nov -March, tan walking shorts Aug-Oct, Apr- June, both worn with brown belt
Ties	Red Cross tie			Red tie	
Sweaters	Red or navy blue cardigan	Red or navy blue cardigan	Red or navy cardi- gan	Navy blue car- digan or pull- over	Navy blue cardi- gan or pullover
Stockings	Solid white or navy blue knee socks or ankle socks (no piping or logos) or tights**	Solid white or na- vy blue knee socks or ankle socks (no piping or logos) or tights**	Tan or brown trou- ser socks w/ slacks, white ankle socks w/shorts#	Any dark gray, black or navy socks#	Tan or brown trouser socks w/ slacks, white ankle socks w/ shorts#
Shoes	Solid black, brown or navy rubber soled shoes***	Solid black, brown or navy rubber soled shoes***	Solid black, brown or navy rubber soled shoes***	Solid black, brown or navy rubber soled shoes***	Solid black, brown or navy rubber soled shoes***
PE	SJS red shorts and white polo Aug-Oct, Apr- June; SJS red sweats added Nov -March, sneak- ers##	SJS red shorts and white polo Aug-Oct, Apr- June; SJS red sweats added Nov- March, sneak- ers##	SJS red shorts and white polo Aug- Oct, Apr-June; SJS red sweats added Nov-March, sneakers##	SJS red shorts and white polo Aug-Oct, Apr- June; SJS red sweats added Nov-March, sneakers##	SJS red shorts and white polo Aug-Oct, Apr- June; SJS red sweats added Nov-March, sneakers##
Mass Days	Jumper, white blouse, tie, stock- ings, dress shoes	Kilt, white blouse, stockings, dress shoes	Navy kilt, white blouse, knee socks or opaque tights, dress shoes	Dress white shirt, tie, slacks, socks, dress shoes	Dress white shirt, tie, tan slacks, socks, dress shoes

* No low-rise or cargo styles , **navy blue bike shorts may be worn under jumpers, *** no open-back shoes, please, such as clogs, flip-flops, etc. as these present a danger, especially on stairs. Sneakers may be worn with walking shorts, but boots are considered outerwear and will not be allowed in the classroom. #No peds or socks that cannot be seen above the shoe-line, ##no high-tops, ^it is intended that polos be worn with either shorts or pants, not kilts.