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School Uniform Policy

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1. To whom does this regulation apply?

The school uniform is compulsory for Infant, Primary and Secondary students. Baccalaureate students must also respect the school's dress code outlined below.

As part of our ethos, we expect each student to wear the correct uniform and adhere to our dress code at all times. This includes going home from school; the playground; hallways; lunchroom; and classrooms.

Families must inform the school, in writing, if at any given time, they cannot comply with the uniform for any reason and for how long. For example, there may be a valid and duly justified medical reason why alternative footwear must be worn. The management of the school will determine if the reason is accepted and will respond in writing.

In order to retrieve lost items, all personal and uniform items must be clearly marked with your child's name. If they are found, they will be kept in the lost and found box in the reception hall. Please note that the lost and found box is emptied before each Half Term and all items found in it will be donated.

2. Objectives and purposes

This policy is based on the belief that appropriate dress is a way of showing respect to the community and contributing to the learning and working environment of the school. Also, our school uniform:

- promotes a sense of pride in the school;
- creates a feeling of community and belonging;
- is practical and elegant;
- identifies the students with the school;
- is not distracting in class;
- makes students feel equal to each other in terms of appearance;
- is considered adequate and good value for money by most families;
- has been designed with health and safety in mind. For example, it is easier to identify students on a school outing if they are in uniform

3. Violation of the school uniform policy

Failure to comply with the uniform rule is contrary to the rules of coexistence of the school, and the sanctioning procedure contemplated in them will be applied. Please consult our rules of coexistence available on our website if you need more information.



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4. Items that make up the school uniform

WINTER UNIFORM

- A maroon sweater or cardigan with the emblem of the school, sold by the official supplier.
- White shirt or polo to wear under the sweater or cardigan. We recommend the use of polo shirts with the logo as it can also be used in the summer.
- Navy blue pants, skirt or dungarees. Skirts must be of an appropriate length, and this, at a minimum, will be established at approximately four inches above the knee.
- Socks / tights - plain black or navy blue.

SUMMER UNIFORM

- White polo shirt with the emblem in the school. White shirts may be worn under the school emblem sweater or cardigan if it is cold.
- A maroon sweater or jacket with the school emblem if it is cold.
- Navy blue pants, shorts, skirt or dungarees. Skirts must be of an appropriate length, and this, at a minimum, will be established at approximately four inches above the knee.
- Navy blue and white-checked cotton summer school dresses may be worn.
- Socks - plain black or navy blue.

SPORTS UNIFORM

- White polo shirt with the school emblem.
- Dark blue sweatpants or sweatpants with no stripes or markings.
- Dark blue sweatshirt without stripes or markings.
- White, black or navy sneakers without bright colours.
- Decorations or accessories should not be used in Physical Education due to the risk of injury, loss or theft of objects and the spread of infection. Students will be asked to remove their earrings and put them away. The staff will not be responsible for lost items.
- You can come to the school wearing the sports **only** on Physical Education days.
- During extracurricular activities, students must wear the school uniform with the school logo and not the sports uniform.

CHILDREN'S UNIFORM

- For greater comfort and to facilitate the use of the toilets, the infant student body is allowed to wear the navy blue sweatpants on a daily basis, together with the polo shirt, cardigan or sweater with the obligatory emblem.

FOOTWEAR

- Comfortable, flat-soled black or navy shoes, trainers, or boots (water boots are not permitted indoors). It is important for the autonomy of the students that the little ones can dress and put on their own shoes (without laces).
- No logos.



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- No flashing lights.
- No back straps, no heels.
- **Sport shoes can only be worn with the sports uniform.**

JEWELLERY, HAIRSTYLE AND MAKE-UP

- Unnatural dyed hairstyles or extravagant/extreme hairstyles that are distracting to others are not permitted.
- Very long nails, false nails and nail extensions are not allowed.

EXAMPLES

			
Rebeca	School red pullover	White short-sleeved polo shirt	White long-sleeved polo shirt
			
Tracksuit	Skirt	Summer dress	Pants



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5. Official supplier

While most uniform items can be purchased from any vendor, the jacket and polo shirts with the school logo must be purchased from the official school vendor.

Since 2016, John Lewis has been the official supplier of the school. Items can be purchased online through <https://www.johnlewis.com/>

6. Dress code for Baccalaureate

The introduction of a school dress code in the regulations of the Spanish Institute "Vicente Cañada Blanch" has as a priority to respect the learning and teaching environment in the school community, without this being a serious obstacle in the expression of the individuality of the students and in his /her freedom of personal choice.

The school dress code is intended for students to project a neat image, while in accordance with the values that our educational school intends to transmit. It is hoped that this image will serve to identify with a model "not in uniform" but respectful of the conventions of clothing and school equipment.

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It is considered necessary that students come to the school properly dressed, without displaying symbols, messages or signs that threaten the dignity of people or the ethical values that our school defends.

Students are expected to wear appropriate clothing to carry out their academic activities and the use of sports clothing in the Physical Education class. The use of outer garments that allow underwear to be seen, transparencies, or too pronounced necklines is not allowed. T-shirts, blouses and other garments that show the torso, chest or navel are also not allowed.

Pants and skirts must be of an appropriate length, and this, at a minimum, will be established at approximately four inches above the knee. The use of a belt will be necessary when the pants/trousers require it.

7. General indications for all courses

- Inside the school: sunglasses, hats, headbands, caps or neck warmers will not be used.
- In no case will access to the school be allowed with the face covered. Students are expected not to wear extreme make up, hair dye, manicures, or hairstyles over four inches in height.
- Excessively long hair must be tied, if the teacher considers that it may pose a danger to the performance of a certain type of activity.
- The use of ostentatious jewellery and accessories, as well as multiple body piercings, are discouraged.
- Footwear must be appropriate for the school activity. The use of flip-flops and shoes with heels higher than 6 centimetres is not considered convenient or safe.
 - Students are expected to follow the established guidelines in a spirit of co-operation and goodwill, and families are expected to support this policy aimed at improving the student environment.
 - The student who fails to comply with the established dress guidelines will be asked to replace the inappropriate garment(s) and the incident will be notified to the families, while a record of it will be made to school's management system (Alexia). Parents and carers of pupils that do not wear their uniform correctly will be contacted and asked to bring in the correct uniform.
 - The criteria of the Leadership Team will establish the precise requirements for the aspects of clothing that are not included in this code.

This Dress Code was approved by the School Board on January 27, 2015.

8. Dissemination of this standard

The information regarding these regulations is available on our website and is offered to families and students at the beginning of the course. As mentioned above, families will also be reminded each time a breach is made.