

## **St. Joseph's N.S. Brackloon: School Uniform Policy**

This policy is under review and parents are being surveyed on whether they would like to change the uniform or not at this time.

### **Introduction**

It is the agreed policy between parents, teachers and pupils of St. Joseph's N.S. that the pupils wear a school tracksuit. The tracksuit was chosen because it is comfortable and practical for the children to wear.

### **Aims and Objectives**

Our policy for school uniform is based on the notion that the school uniform:

- Promotes a sense of pride in the school.
- Engenders a sense of community and belonging towards the school.
- Is practical and comfortable.
- Makes children feel equal to their peers in terms of appearance.
- Is regarded as suitable wear for school and is considered by parents as good value for money.
- Is designed with health and safety in mind.

### **St. Joseph's N.S. uniform consists of**

#### **Tracksuit**

- Black and red tracksuit top with school logo.
- Black tracksuit pants.
- Red/white polo T-shirt.

The school uniform can be purchased at O'Brien's Menswear, Bridge Street, Westport.

#### **Footwear**

Children must wear good comfortable shoes/runners that give good support to their feet.

## **Jewellery**

Children may wear watches and stud earrings to school, but we ask that pupils leave all other jewellery at home. For safety reasons, these items must be removed during P.E. classes and the school cannot be held responsible for any items that are lost.

## **The Role of Parents**

We ask all parents who send their children to our school to support uniform policy. It is the responsibility of parents to ensure that their child has the correct uniform and that it is clean and in good repair. We also request that all items are clearly labelled with the child's name. The Board of Management does not accept responsibility for loss of property.

## **The Role of the Board of Management**

It is the Board of Management's responsibility to ensure that the school uniform meets all the regulations concerning equal opportunities. The Board of Management will consider, with the Principal, any requests from parents for individual children who have special dispensation for medical reasons, with regard to school uniform.