



ROCKBROOK PARK SCHOOL

Rathfarnham, Dublin 16

Student uniform policy

(Last updated 10 Oct 2022)

Rockbrook students have a school uniform, which is the same for all students except that there is a difference in the colour of the school shirt when one starts 5th Year. Repeated, unexplained breaches of the uniform policy can be considered a disciplinary issue by the school.

- A student is expected
 - to wear the full school uniform throughout the school day while he is on school premises.
 - to ensure that he wears no additional items of clothing on top of his uniform (except when arriving at/departing from school or when outside during break/lunch). Hoodies and tracksuit tops are *not permitted in school at any time*, even when arriving at/departing from school.
 - to store jackets, body-warmers, scarfs, neck warmers, gloves in his locker *before* 9.00am and leave them there for the duration of the full school day.
 - If it is cold or wet outside and a student wishes to wear something extra while outside during break or lunch, he may do so, but the extra items must be retrieved from the locker/classroom at the *start* of break or lunch and returned to the locker/classroom *before lessons begin* at 11.15am or 1.55pm.
 - to ensure that any additional items of clothing worn under his uniform, such as thermals in cold weather, are not visible.
 - to ensure he is wearing no jewellery, ear-rings etc.
 - to ensure he does not have earphones on his person.
 - to avoid bringing in notes from home requesting that the school overlook missing items from his uniform.
 - Such matters should be foreseen and addressed by the boy in good time to ensure that the full uniform can be worn.
 - In certain cases, where there is a medical necessity, a parent may contact the Year Head to discuss a temporary modification to the uniform; this discussion should be made, and an arrangement made, *before* the student comes to school with the temporary modification. A note should be written in the Journal to this effect by the Year Head. It is the Year Head who is providing the dispensation, not the student's parent.
- A student who arrives to school not wearing the proper uniform, and who cannot amend the situation easily, should report to the Deputy Principal, or other person assigned to the role, who will:
 - Provide a 'Uniform Pass' to the student for the day, which the student must show to teachers when arriving for lessons.
 - Notify the parents using standard school communications.
- A student arriving to a lesson wearing additional items of clothing, jewellery or earphones will be asked by the teacher to put them in his locker.
- A student in a lesson not wearing the proper uniform, but who says he does have the full uniform in school with him, will be asked by the teacher to attire himself correctly for the lesson.
- A student is not 'out of uniform' if he is not wearing his jumper, and just a shirt and tie.
- That some exceptions to wearing the full uniform apply, for example when a student has changed to sports clothing for PE, or when a student has been given permission by his Year Head not to wear the uniform on a particular trip or outing, during a 'Colours Day' etc.