



# Loreto Secondary School Clonmel

Coleville Road, Clonmel, Co. Tipperary

## SCHOOL UNIFORM

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## SCHOOL RULES, REGULATIONS AND RESPONSIBILITIES: UNIFORM

I am expected to wear my full uniform to school. This means that ...	Because ...
<p>The school uniform, as listed, must be worn at all times going to and from school (unless otherwise advised by a teacher). The correct PE uniform must be worn for PE classes.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• You may choose to wear either the full pinafore uniform or the trousers uniform (as outlined below).</li> <li>• You must wear the green school jacket with the Loreto crest.</li> <li>• For colder weather you can wear extra layers for <b>under</b> the school shirt or PE t-shirt (e.g., base layers, skins, or long-sleeved tops)</li> <li>• In terms of jewellery, you are limited to wearing small stud earrings and one small nose stud.</li> <li>• Your hair must be tidy and long hair must be tied back. Hair should be a natural hair colour.</li> <li>• Make up is not allowed.</li> <li>• False or customised nails are not allowed.</li> <li>• Headgear, scarves or any uniform item which is not included in the uniform dress code, unless authorised by the school management.</li> <li>• Badges or symbols relating to political, or interest groups may not be worn or on display without authorisation by school management.</li> <li>• Smoking, e-cigarettes and vaping are forbidden anytime you are in school uniform, when or are representing the school or engaged in any school activity.</li> <li>• Smoking, e-cigarettes and vaping or use or possession of illegal substances on the school grounds, on school trips or in school uniform are not permitted.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The purpose of having a school uniform is to foster a sense of community and school identity. It equally promotes uniformity of dress standards and consequently reduces peer pressure and enables the school to comply with Health and Safety Regulations.</li> <li>• Hats and scarves can be a distraction in class.</li> <li>• The full uniform includes the Loreto School Crest which allows you to be distinguishable to teachers and parents/guardians.</li> <li>• Facial piercings, tongue piercings, earring bars, septum piercings and earrings (apart from stud earrings) can be dangerous. It is important to be mindful of health and safety.</li> <li>• Smoking and vaping is a health concern</li> </ul> <p><i>The <b>Key Skills</b> of Managing Self and Staying Well are being developed as you abide by these expectations as you are making considered decisions and you are staying healthy.</i></p> <p><i>The <b>Wellbeing Indicators</b> 'Responsible' and Aware' are also present as you are taking responsibility for your actions for your own safety and that of others.</i></p>

**What happens if I don't follow the rules and expectations set out for me about my uniform:**

Spot checks will be carried out regularly. Improper uniform without a satisfactory note may mean demerits. In some cases, non-uniform items may be confiscated and will be retained in the office until the end of the week or until returned by the student's Year Head and/ or Senior Management.

There are **three options** of uniform at Loreto. Everyday students may choose to wear either the Pinafore Uniform or Trouser Uniform. Students are not allowed to mix and match any of the uniform options, including the PE uniform i.e., the PE hoodie can't be worn with the trousers. The PE uniform is to be worn for PE class and may be authorised by specific teachers if activities are occurring in the school.

All items of school uniform must be **CLEARLY LABELLED**. All uniform items (except shoes) are available in Uniform World, Ard Gaoithe Business Park, Clonmel.

The PE Uniform:	The Pinafore Uniform:	The Trouser uniform:
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• O'Neills track-suit bottoms with red and green stripe and Loreto crest.</li><li>• Black/ White O'Neill's shorts with stripes on the side.</li><li>• Plain red polo t-shirt with the school logo.</li><li>• Red hoodie with school logo.</li><li>• A pair of sports runners.</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Dark green knee-length pinafore.</li><li>• Loreto red cardigan.</li><li>• White shirt (long sleeved).</li><li>• Uniform striped tie.</li><li>• Dark green knee socks or tights (Both recommended for weather).</li><li>• Dark coloured, low-heeled shoes.</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Grey trousers.</li><li>• Note: two styles are available as our students feel that different styles suit different body shapes.</li><li>• Loreto crested red v-neck jumper.</li><li>• White shirt (long sleeved).</li><li>• Uniform striped tie.</li><li>• Dark socks – grey or black.</li><li>• Dark coloured, low-heeled shoes</li></ul>
<p><b>Other</b> A <b>Reusable Water Bottle</b> is required as single use plastics are banned on the school campus and for school activities.</p>		

**SANCTIONS**

- Regular spot checks will be carried out. Any student who is found to be not in the authorised uniform at the time of the spot check and who does not have a satisfactory note of explanation, may receive **demerits** or be required to do **detention**.
- Non uniform items may be **confiscated** and will be retained in the office until the end of term.
- Students in breach of the uniform regulations **forfeit** their right to be considered for, or to continue in, **positions of leadership** within the school (i.e., Student Council, CARA etc.).

**Other information**

**Note:** clearly label reusable bottle, lunch box, every uniform item and all belongings.