St John and St Nicolas Schools Federation

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At St John and St Nicolas Schools Federation, our vision is 'For the good of all – through curiosity, creativity and love.' This vision inspires everything that the federation does. It applies equally to all the federation's policies with the intention that our policies impact as fairly and positively as possible to meet the needs of all members of our schools' community.

1: Introduction
Our federation expects high standards of both work and appearance. We believe children should come to school dressed smartly so that they feel ready for learning and can develop a sense of self-esteem. All children are therefore encouraged to wear suitable clothes in our school colours, and we seek parents' cooperation in this matter.

All uniform with school logos for both schools is available from the SkoolKit Shop in Newbury. Both schools hold regular sales of second-hand uniform.

Please note that we are continuing to phase in uniform with the new federation logo. Children are still able to wear uniform containing the previous individual school's logo for the coming year.

2: St John's School Uniform
The school uniform is an emerald green sweatshirt or cardigan with a gold polo shirt (preferably with the federation logo). Trousers, skirts, shorts, pinafores and tights should be dark grey. Yellow and white gingham dresses can be worn in the warmer months. Footwear should be black shoes or black trainers. Boots may not be worn. At St John's, we ask children not to wear open-toed sandals in the summer months, as these are a trip hazard for young children.

As part of our focus on smartness and for health and safety reasons, long hair should be tied back with simple hair ties.

P.E. Kit:
Navy shorts, white T-shirt (ideally with logo), plimsolls or trainers for outdoor use. Tracksuits or sweatshirts in the school colours may be worn for outdoor P.E.

3: St Nicolas School Uniform
The school uniform is a bottle green sweatshirt or cardigan with the St Nicolas logo, with a gold polo shirt (preferably with the St Nicolas logo). Trousers, skirts, shorts, pinafores and tights should be dark grey. Green and white gingham dresses can be worn during the warmer months. Footwear should be black shoes or black trainers. Boots may not be worn. Sandals may be worn in the summer months.

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Physical Education and Swimming
Children must have appropriate clothing to enable them to participate fully in the School's Physical Education curriculum.

Indoor P.E. Uniform
Black or white shorts – not tight or short gym shorts
Plain white or School T-shirt

Outdoor Games Uniform
Black or white shorts
Plain white or School T-shirt
School Tracksuit
Trainers
Gloves
Warm hat

All P.E. clothing and footwear needs to be kept in a suitable, named bag (preferably with a draw-string), which can be hung on the child's clothes peg.

Swimming
All children will have an opportunity to swim for one term at Northcroft Recreation Centre in each of the four years that they are at the school.

They will need:
Trunks or costume (not swimming shorts or two-piece)
Large towel
Swimming hat

Please note that **all** jewellery must be removed before swimming sessions.

4: General Principles applying to both schools
- It is essential that all items of children's clothing should be clearly named.
- Parents are encouraged to ensure that their children learn to look after their belongings and to insist that they collect any "lost" items from lost property. If an article really is missing, it is more likely to be found if its loss is reported to the class teacher without delay. Parents should check regularly that their child has not brought home another child's uniform.

- For safety reasons, we **do not** allow jewellery to be worn in School. If your child has pierced ears, small studs may be worn, but must be removed for PE. Children may wear a watch, but while these will be looked after during PE or games, we can accept no responsibility for loss or damage. No make-up, nail varnish, wrist bands or other fashion items should be worn.
- Children with hair longer than shoulder length must have it tied back with a simple hair tie or a simple hair band. We do not allow bows or fashion hair bands.
- Parents who experience genuine financial hardship are welcome to contact the school as assistance may be available in such cases.