

COLLEGE UNIFORM & GROOMING GUIDELINES

The uniform is a sign of identity with the College and should be worn with pride. Each student is expected to be properly attired in full uniform whilst at the College, travelling to and from school and when representing the College at external functions and events. The uniform is compulsory attire. It is a condition of enrolment at the College that students wear the uniform in its entirety. It is particularly important that students realise that whenever they wear the College uniform in public forums - travelling to and from the College, attending sporting events, shopping before and after school, - they serve as ambassadors for Aranmore Catholic College. Therefore, it is essential that in such circumstances the uniform is worn correctly in full. Failure to observe appropriate standards could result in sanctions being imposed.

SUMMER ACADEMIC UNIFORM

The summer uniform is worn in Terms 1 and 4.

All items listed can be purchased from the Uniform Shop.

Girls

- White over-blouse bearing the Aranmore emblem.
- Blue checked skirt - worn at knee-length or Aranmore blue trousers (substitute designs must not be worn).
- Aranmore banded white crew socks.
- Black, polished, lace up shoes (pumps, slip-ons, buckled shoes, sneakers, sandals, thongs or bare feet are not acceptable at any time).

Boys

- Pale blue tailored shirt bearing the Aranmore emblem (worn untucked in summer).
- Aranmore shorts (fitted at the waist rather than loosely hung at the hips).
- A black belt with an unobtrusive metal buckle.
- Aranmore banded grey school socks.
- Black, polished, lace up school shoes (sneakers or sport shoes are not an acceptable substitute. Sandals, thongs and bare feet are not acceptable at any time).

All Students

- An Aranmore hat or cap is to be worn whenever students are engaged in activities outdoors for extended periods of time during Terms 1 and 4.
- An Aranmore school bag is a compulsory part of the College uniform. There are several styles of bag: satchel, backpack, sports bag or travel bag.

WINTER ACADEMIC UNIFORM

The winter uniform is worn in Terms 2 and 3

All items listed can be purchased from the Uniform Shop.

Girls

- White over-blouse bearing the Aranmore emblem.
- Blue checked skirt - worn at knee-length or Aranmore blue trousers (substitute designs must not be worn).
- Blazer.
- Aranmore tie.
- Aranmore royal blue jumper for students in Years 7 –11; Year 12 students may wear the optional Aranmore Leavers' jacket.
- Opaque navy blue stockings or winter-weight tights are worn or the Aranmore white crew socks.
- Black, polished, lace up shoes (pumps, slip-ons, buckled shoes, sneakers, sandals, thongs or bare feet are not acceptable at any time).

Boys

- Pale blue tailored shirt bearing the Aranmore emblem worn tucked into the trouser waistband.
- Blazer.
- Aranmore grey trousers (fitted at the waist rather than loosely hung at the hips).
- A black belt with an unobtrusive metal buckle.
- Aranmore tie.
- Aranmore royal blue jumper for students in Years 7 –11; Year 12 students may wear the optional Aranmore Leavers' jacket.
- Aranmore banded grey school socks.
- Black, polished, lace up school shoes (sneakers or sport shoes are not an acceptable substitute. Sandals, thongs and bare feet are not acceptable at any time).

All Students

As for summer with the following additions and exceptions:

- Students who choose to wear an undergarment or t-shirt under their College shirt for additional warmth, must ensure that the undergarment is white, not visible and is not emblazoned with logos etc which can be seen through the College shirt. T-shirt sleeves must not be visible.
- The College tracksuit jacket is not to be worn in place of the College jumper or blazer.
- The tracksuit jacket is part of the sports uniform and may only be worn with the sports uniform. Therefore, all students must have a College blazer to wear as part of their academic uniform.
- Sneakers or sports shoes are not to be worn with Academic uniform.

SPORTS UNIFORM

- The sports uniform consists of blue sport shorts bearing the Aranmore emblem.
- House shirt (compulsory item for House Days and Inter-House Carnivals. They can also be worn as an alternative to sports shirt in Health and Physical Education classes).
- A navy and red sports shirt bearing the Aranmore emblem.
- Sports shoes with non-marking soles.
- Aranmore white banded crew socks.
- Aranmore hat or cap.

GROOMING AND APPEARANCE POLICY

Students are expected to take pride in their personal appearance, to be neatly attired and well groomed.

- Boys wearing a tailored shirt may wear it untucked during Terms 1 and 4. In Winter, when wearing the College tie, all boys shirts must be tucked in.
- Girls' academic uniform skirts are not to be rolled-up and must sit at the top of the knee or below.
- Accessories are restricted to a wristwatch and a Christian symbol on a neck chain. Students may wear one small Gold or Silver stud or small Gold or Silver sleeper in the lobe of each ear. No other earrings or earring positions are acceptable. Face piercing and/or face jewellery is prohibited.
- Hair that is collar length or longer must be tied up. Hair must not be streaked, tinted or dyed in colours that contrast markedly with a student's natural hair colour or complexion. Extreme hairstyles are not permitted. Haircuts shorter than a number 2 are not acceptable. Hairstyles must be of one even length (no undercuts). The Principal reserves the right to decide on the acceptability of hairstyles.
- Coloured nail polish and visible or obvious make-up are not permitted.
- Boys' faces are required to be clean-shaven. Beards, moustaches and overly-long sideburns are not permitted.
- the College does not permit the use of false eyelashes, eyelash extensions, or other enhancements (i.e. eyelash, lips) that alter the natural appearance.

In the event of any uncertainty, please consult with the relevant Dean. All decisions will be made at the College / Principal's discretion.