



Saint Pius X
Catholic High School

Welcome to Saint Pius X Catholic High School



*"Love one another
as I have loved you,"*

John 13.

What will Saint Pius expect from me?

We are proud of our school community.

We are supportive and treat each other with respect and kindness.

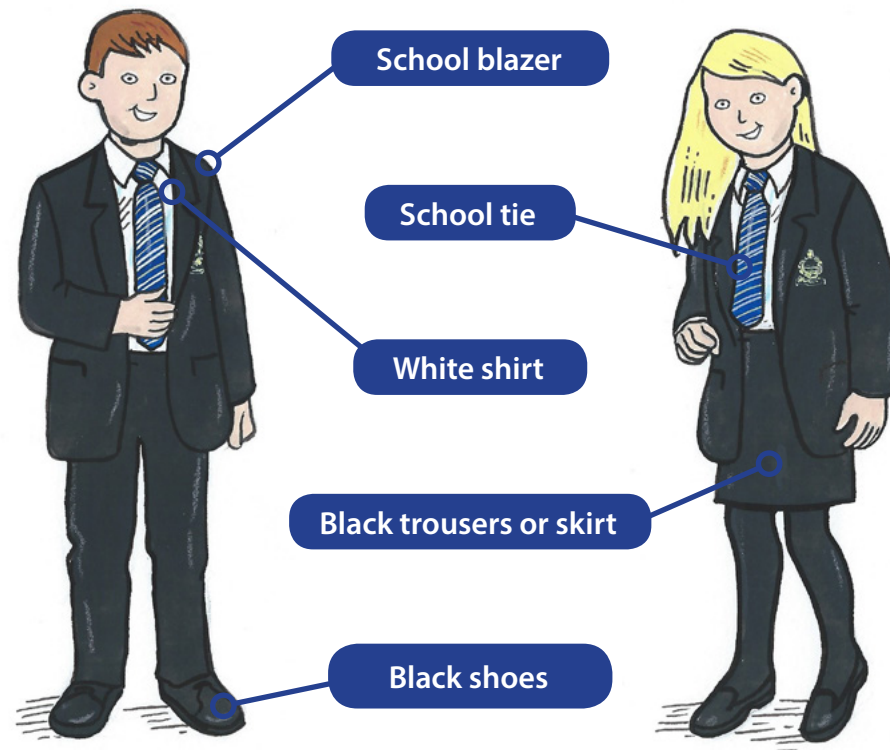
We have three simple rules:

- be ready
- be respectful
- be responsible

Uniform

We are proud of our school and have high expectations regarding standards of presentation.

You must wear your uniform correctly from the first day.



You will also need to bring this equipment, in a pencil case, every day:

- a black or blue pen
- a pencil
- a ruler
- an eraser
- a calculator

Some days you will need to bring:

- PE Kit
- an apron for technology

Pack your bag the night before. It is easy to forget things if you are rushing around in the morning. Make sure you get to school on time.

How can I make sure I am ready to learn?

To reach your full potential, you must be ready to learn!

You can show you are ready by:

- entering the classroom quietly.
- removing your outdoor coat.
- making sure that your mobile phone is switched off and put away.
- engaging in all learning activities, which means listening and answering questions.
- asking your teacher to explain if you are unsure about anything.
- always trying your best!



What happens during the school day

Every day you will have five lessons, you will go to different classrooms for most of your lessons. You will also have a morning and a lunch break.

The school day looks like this:

You will study English, mathematics, science, religious studies, art, computing, geography, history, French or Spanish, music, technology (both food and nutrition and product design), PSHCE (Personal, Social, Health and Citizenship Education) and PE.

We have specialist facilities for science, technology, PE, music and computing.

We have a well-resourced library which you can use for your studies or for discovering new books or old favourites. You can use the library before school and at lunchtime.

When you get homework it will be set online. It is best to do it as soon as possible.



How will you help me succeed at Saint Pius?

We will help you develop confidence, independence, and thinking skills so that you can reach your potential. Students achieve well in their GCSE subjects at Saint Pius and make good post-16 progression to sixth forms, colleges and apprenticeships.

Students go on to succeed in a wide range of careers including teachers, doctors, nurses and lawyers.



What else can I do at Saint Pius?

There are lots of extra-curricular activities that you can join in with.

Clubs take place at lunchtime and after school. You can do sports, dance, gymnastics, mathematics, debating, board games, art, drama and music. There are also sports teams for football, badminton, netball, rounders, cricket and trampolining.

There is an annual school production where you are encouraged to show us your talents, which can include drama, dance, singing and playing musical instruments.

Our clubs are great places to make new friends and find a new interest that you may enjoy for the rest of your life!



How do we practise our Catholic faith at school?

We practise our faith through regular prayer which gives everyone time to reflect. We demonstrate our faith through the way we treat each other.

This is our school prayer:

*This is our school
Let peace dwell here
Let love abide here
Love of learning
Love of one another
Love of Life itself
And love of God
We ask this through
Jesus our Lord,
Amen*

You will have the opportunity to use our chapel.



What other events can I take part in?

We arrange and take part in a wide range of events to raise funds for charity. Each half term there is a different focus for fundraising.

We raise funds for CAFOD which is a Catholic charity which helps people living in poverty, whatever their religion or culture.

We also take part in charity events such as Race for Life and we support our local community by collecting for the food bank.

These events help people in need but also give you the chance to give something back. You also get the chance to develop organisational and communication skills. They are lots of fun too!



What support can I get?

We want you to do well and know that you can only do that if you feel happy and safe.

If you are worried about anything, there will always be someone at school who can help. You can talk to your Form Tutor or one of the Pastoral Team.

The Pastoral Team can help with worries about school work, friendships and problems outside of school. They are based in the Student Support Centre and there will always be someone there to help you.

Whoever you speak to will listen and give you time and space to speak.

If you think a friend needs help, you can also tell a teacher.



What about food and drink?

In the dining room there are plenty of options -from snacks to main meals, and meal deals.



The dining room is open at break and lunch.

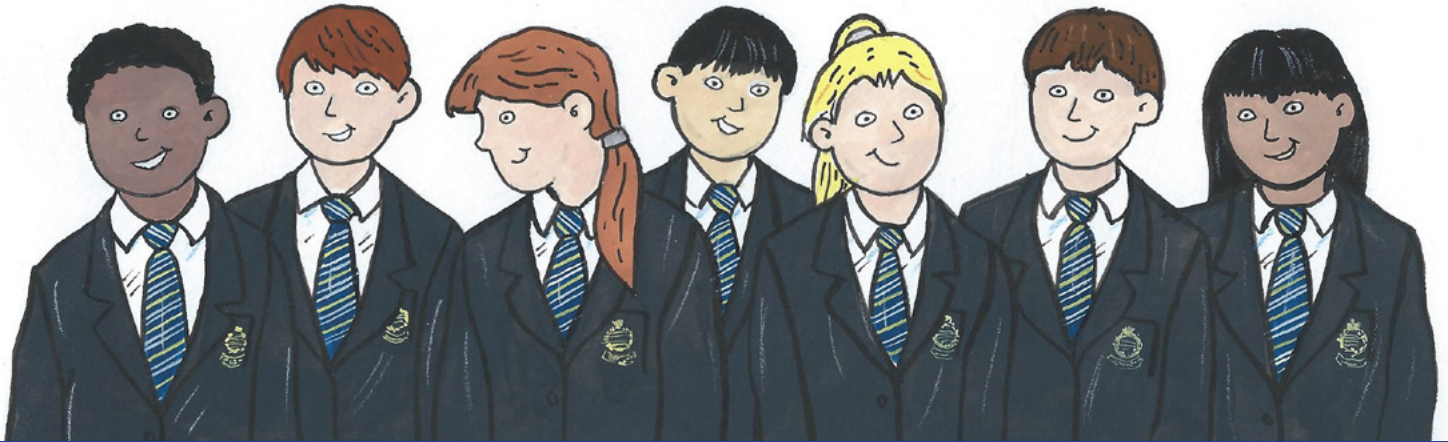
You don't need to remember money as we use a cashless system. Remember to make sure that there is some money in your account. Your parents/ carers will look after this.

If you get free school meals the money is added to your account automatically each day.

You can bring a packed lunch to eat in the dining room if you prefer.

Fulfil your potential at Saint Pius X Catholic High School

Taking part in the Race for Life Event



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