



## Uniform Policy

### Vision

St. Mary's is a supportive Catholic learning community that encourages and challenges individuals to reach their full potential.

St. Mary's school strives to:

- Teach and promote Catholic faith, tradition, and model the teachings of Jesus
- To ensure all children feel safe and are always safe
- Be welcoming, safe, and inclusive
- Nurture partnerships between families, school, parish, and the community
- Encourage action for social justice and hope for the future
- Provide an engaging and challenging learning environment that encourages excellence and lifelong learning
- Educate the whole child, spiritually, physically, socially, and academically

### Graduate Outcomes

We aim to have students leave St. Mary's with the capacity to be:

- Accepting, compassionate, caring, and able to show empathy
- Resilient, confident, independent and to have self-belief
- Open to faith and to value human dignity
- Literate, numerate, and physically and socially capable
- Positive, passionate, enthusiastic, and persistent
- Creative, critical thinkers, inquisitive and problem solvers
- Global citizens, environmentally aware, socially just and respectful
- Happy, well balanced, and aware of personal wellbeing

### Rationale

The St Mary's Primary School uniform policy aims to promote equality and reduce socio-economic disparities among students, fostering an inclusive environment. Uniforms instil a sense of school pride and unity, encouraging students to feel connected and take pride in their school. They simplify daily routines, making mornings less stressful for families and improving punctuality. Additionally, uniforms enhance safety by making it easier to identify students, ensuring that only those who belong on campus are present. Overall, a uniform policy supports equality, school spirit, simplicity, and security, contributing to a positive educational experience.

### Aims

- To promote equality and inclusivity.
- To enhance school identity and pride.
- To ensure the safety and security of students.





## Guidelines

- Students must wear with pride, the correct full uniform at all times.
- Care must be taken to ensure that students appear neatly groomed.
- To ensure the health and safety of students, they must follow the expectations regarding hair and the wearing of jewellery and cosmetics.
- Notes from parents/guardians giving permission for students to wear non-uniform items for *no legitimate reason* are not acceptable.
- It is an expectation that children wear correct uniform at all times.
- Families experiencing financial or other difficulties purchasing uniform are invited to contact the school to speak with the Principal and allow us to make more appropriate arrangements.

## Expectations

### Uniform:

*Terms 1 & 4 (Summer Uniform- October, November, December, January, February)*

	<b>BOYS</b>	<b>GIRLS</b>
<i>Shorts</i>	Grey	Navy
<i>Shirt</i>	Blue	Blue
<i>Jumper</i>	Navy Knit or Navy Polo Jacket with logo	Navy Knit or Navy Polo Jacket with logo
<i>Socks</i>	Grey (no branding)	Plain White (no branding)
<i>Shoes</i>	Black Leather	Black Leather
<i>Hat</i>	Navy – school logo	Navy – school logo
<i>Dress</i>	-	Blue check
<i>*Grade 6's</i>	Yr 6 Shirt	Yr 6 Shirt

Optional month: September

*Terms 2 & 3 (Winter Uniform – June, July, August)*

	<b>BOYS</b>	<b>GIRLS</b>
<i>Pants</i>	Grey	Navy
<i>Shirt</i>	Blue	Blue
<i>Jumper</i>	Navy Knit or Navy Polo Jacket with logo	Navy Knit or Navy Polo Jacket with logo
<i>Socks</i>	Grey (no branding)	Plain White (no branding)
<i>Shoes</i>	Black Leather/Runner (no colour)	Black Leather/Runner (no colour)
<i>Kilt</i>	-	Navy check
<i>Tights</i>	-	Navy
<i>Beanie &amp; scarf</i>	Navy – school logo	Navy – school logo
<i>*Grade 6's</i>	Yr 6 Shirt	Yr 6 Shirt

Optional month: May





*Sports Uniform (Wear on sports days according to student timetable)*

	<b>BOYS</b>	<b>GIRLS</b>
<i>Tracksuit Pants</i>	Navy	Navy
<i>Shorts</i>	Navy (with school logo)	Navy (with school logo)
<i>Shirt</i>	Blue Polo with logo	Blue Polo with logo
<i>Socks</i>	Plain White (no branding)	Plain White (no branding)
<i>Shoes</i>	Runners	Runners

- In the first instance of a student not wearing correct uniform, the student will be given a warning by the classroom teacher. If there is a second incident parents will be notified by the classroom teacher.

**Jewellery**

*Acceptable:* Watch, single plain gold/silver ear sleepers (smaller than 1cm) or plain ear studs (smaller than 5mm)

*Unacceptable:* rings, other jewellery

- Students wearing SMART watches must comply with the Personal Devices Policy <https://www.smmmyrtleford.catholic.edu.au/parents/policies/110-ces-ltd-student-use-of-personal-devices-policy/file>
- Students not wearing appropriate jewellery will be asked to remove jewellery, and hand in to the office for collection at the end of the day

**Hair**

*Acceptable:* Plain navy or white clips, ribbons or hair fasteners. Long hair must be tied back.

*Unacceptable:* extreme style or colour

**School Bag**

Any bag is allowed; however, it may not have inappropriate branding, images or phrases. Bags are not to have graffiti on them.

**Cosmetics & Nail Polish**

Not permitted (medicated lip balm or ointment can be used)

- Students wearing make-up will be asked to remove it at school, and students with nail polish or fake nails will be asked to remove it at home at the end of the school day





## Casual Clothes Days:

Students are permitted to wear casual clothes on their birthday and on whole school casual clothes days. Students are to wear clothing that is SunSmart and suitable to the climate. All footwear must be closed in.

## Policy Review

The Uniform Policy will be reviewed as part of the cyclical review process, or as required.

<b>Authorised:</b>		
	<b>Principal</b>	

