

Rationale

St Mary's Catholic Primary School requires all students to be in school uniform. The school uniform provides the child with a sense of identity and unity within our community and is an integral part of our identity. When parents or guardians enrol their children at St Mary's Catholic Primary School, they confirm that they are committed to supporting the school and ensuring their child follows all school guidelines, policies and procedures.

All students attending St Mary's Catholic Primary School are required to abide by this policy as a condition of their continuing enrolment.

Guidelines

- All children are expected to wear full school uniform every day
- The School Uniform Policy has been developed through consultation with the school community and is ratified by the School Board
- The Principal and Leadership Team is responsible for the implementation and maintenance of the Uniform Policy with the support of teaching staff
- In the case that a student cannot wear the appropriate school uniform, parent/guardians must notify the class teacher in writing
- When students are not in correct uniform and a letter of explanation has not been received from parents/guardians, a note will be sent home by the class teacher to the parent/guardian stating the areas of concern. Parents are expected to sign and date these letters before returning them to school. Consequences will be applied in the event that students continue to wear incorrect uniforms and do not have a note from home.
- Parents will be asked to meet with the Principal in the event that a student consistently breaches the uniform policy

Implementation

Parents are expected to support the school's uniform policy by ensuring that their child wears:

- The complete school uniform or complete sports uniform when travelling to and from school and during school hours
- Their sports uniform on allocated physical education days
- Only simple jewellery such as a wristwatch, a necklace with a crucifix or religious symbol and sleepers/studs
- Hair to be kept off the face and to be tied up and back off the face if it is shoulder length or longer. Tints and colours are not acceptable. Ribbons or hair combs must be simple and only in school colours of blue or white.
- Boys hair must be neat and tidy and not extend past the collar
- Hair ties to be in school colours or hair colour
- No nail polish, temporary tattoos or make-up is to be worn at school
- St Mary's School hat is to be worn whenever children are outdoors. No hat, no play

School Uniform

Boys

Blue school shirt, navy school shorts, plain black shoes and plain white socks, or plain black sandals with/without socks.

Boy's Sports Uniform

Navy school shorts, polo shirt in sports House colour – available from School. Sport shoes to be worn with plain white socks.

Girls

The girls have a choice: the school uniform dress which is available from the school, navy skirt or shorts with the school shirt, plain black shoes and plain white socks, or plain black sandals with/without socks are acceptable.

Girl's Sports Uniform

Navy school skirt or shorts, polo shirt in sports House colour – available from School. Sport shoes to be worn with plain white socks.

Hats

School hats are a compulsory part of the St Mary's school uniform. Only the approved regulation school hat may be worn. These are available from the school and must be worn when outdoors.

Children will not be allowed to undertake any outdoor activities unless they are wearing a school hat.

Please make a special effort to mark clearly and permanently, all clothing with your CHILD'S NAME AND YEAR LEVEL. As far as possible, mark all books, bags and other items. Hats and other items of clothing must be marked in large letters.

Unclaimed, unmarked clothing will become the property of the Uniform Shop at the end of each term.

Evaluation

This policy will be reviewed as part of the school's three-year review cycle.

This policy will be published on the St Mary's Catholic Primary School website.

Review/Ratification History

Year of review	SIRF Committee Responsible	Ratified By / Date (Month/Year)
2013	Leadership	School Board – 2013
2016	Leadership	School Board – November 2016
2019	Community and Culture	

Next Review: 2019

Dear _____

Your child _____ did not wear the correct school uniform today as outlined in our School's Uniform Policy (attached).

The item/s of concern are:

I would appreciate you providing a timeline within which the correct uniform will be worn.

Should you wish to discuss this further please do not hesitate to contact the School Office for an appointment with the Principal.

Yours sincerely

Teacher

Principal

Date _____

PARENT COMMENT (optional)

Parent Signature: _____