



Uniform Policy St. Mary's R.C. Primary

Aim

To provide parents and carers with clear expectations regarding school uniform and what is required.
To ensure that we have considered cost and availability of uniform items and this is reflected in the policy.

Why We Have a Uniform

We hope that a uniform instils pride in being part of our St Mary's School Community.
It ensures the children are safe on the school premises.
It prevents children being isolated or any peer pressure to have a certain brand or clothes.
It promotes cohesion between all ages, cultures and different backgrounds.

If a parent requests that an item of uniform may be changed to accommodate their religion or belief, ethnicity, disability or any other special circumstance permission from the Headteacher should be sought so that we can understand the issue and support the family in making any reasonable adjustments.

Sporting Events

The school will provide the children with sporting kits for any external events. Parents are not expected to purchase these kits.

P.E. Kits

We expect the children to change into a P.E. kit for lessons to ensure their safety, comfort and to promote self care skills, especially with younger children.
PE kits can be brought to school in any bag, which is suitable to fit on a peg. School PE bags are not required.
School will provide spare kit if a child does not have one.

Uniform

Uniform does not require logos on items of clothing. Parents can purchase logos on jumpers/cardigans or PE coloured T-shirts, if they wish. There are no sanctions for children who wear jumpers without logos on.
Plain coloured items can be worn as uniform. We do not specify where the uniform should be purchased from.
We ask that uniform be labelled so lost items can be returned. Any style/colour of coat can be worn.

Shoes

Shoes or trainers can be worn. If day to day footwear is suitable, it can also be worn for P.E./Games lessons, and a second PE shoe does not need to be purchased.
Footwear should be all black and be suitable for running around on the playground.

See Appendix 1 for a list of uniform requirements

Book Bags

Every child starting in Reception is provided with a book bag from the school. Children in other year groups are not required to have one, but can purchase if they wish.

Support with Uniform

The FOSMs have a uniform 'swap' rail. This is located in the Chill Room. Any parents can donate, swap or take uniform items. This is available all year round.

Parents can also access the Departments's Corporate Services Division who administer several endowment funds and may be able to help with cost of uniform.

Corporate Services Division

Department for Education Sport and Culture
Thie Slieau Whallian
St John's
Isle of Man
IM4 3AS

Telephone:+44 1624 685808

Link to website information – <https://www.gov.im/about-the-government/departments/education-sport-and-culture/>

Parents can also approach the Headteacher, in confidence, to discuss options of support.

This Policy to be read in conjunction with:

Relationship Policy
Anti Bullying Policy

Equality

At St Mary's R.C. Primary School, in line with the 2017 Equality Act, we aim to:

- Eliminate discrimination.
- Advance equality of opportunity between people who share a protected characteristic and people who do not share it.
- Foster good relations across all characteristics - between people who share a protected characteristic and people who do not share it.

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Appendix I

Uniform:	Boys	Girls
Skirt		Black
Summer dress		Blue and white checked
Long trousers	Black	Black
Formal Shorts	Black	Black
Sweatshirt, cardigan or fleece with or without school logo.	Blue	Blue
Polo shirts - KS1 / White Shirt and tie - KS2 (polo shirts in summer term)	White Y3 upwards - White shirt and Tie	White Y3 upwards - White shirt and Tie
Flat sensible shoes that fit and stay on.	All Black	All Black
Socks	Grey or black	White/Grey/Black
Socks or tights		Grey, black
Light soled PE plimsolls	Black	Black
P.E shorts	Black	Black
P.E T Shirt	House Colour T Shirt with or without logo	House Colour T Shirt with or without logo

