# St. Mary's College



# College Uniform Policy 2023/2024

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### St Mary's College - Uniform Code

### 1 Introduction

School uniform plays a valuable role in contributing to the ethos of a school and setting an appropriate tone.

It instils pride, supports positive behaviour and discipline and fosters allegiance between pupils and staff. This policy sets out the rules regarding uniform and although an independent school and therefore not obliged to, it takes into account Department for Education guidance 'School uniform', published in September 2013.

The College will not discriminate unlawfully on the grounds of sex, race, disability, sexual orientation and religion or belief. Parents are requested to read the College's Equal Opportunity Policy and Disability Policy for further details.

### 2 **Description of Uniform**

Full correct school uniform must be worn at all times. The definitive list is included in Appendix 1

- All blouses / shirts must be tucked into skirts and trousers.
- School ties should be worn with 7 full blue stripes showing below the knot.
- Top buttons on shirts must be fastened at all times and tie knots covering that top button.
- Navy tights or navy knee length socks must be worn with skirts.
- Plain dark grey or black socks with no logos or markings must be worn with socks.

Girls' hair must be neat and well groomed at all times. Long hair should be tied back off the face. Slides, bobbles and ribbons must be navy, black or maroon. Colour of hair must be natural. No hair colouring, striping or streaking. The Principal shall be the final arbiter of neat and well groomed.

Boys' hair must be neat and well groomed at all times. Boys' hair is not to exceed beyond the top of the collared shirt. No stripes, tails or shaved heads. Colour of hair must be natural. No hair colouring, striping, streaking. No spiked hair; no gelled hair, tails or exotic hairstyles; The Principal shall be the final arbiter of neat and well groomed.

- No jewellery permitted, except a watch for both boys and girls. A modest, plain stud earring in each ear lobe is permitted for pierced ears. The Principal will be the arbiter of modest and plain.
- No make-up allowed.

Shoes should be plain black leather (or similar) and have a low heel height and no conspicuous markings. Canvas shoes or trainers are not appropriate. The College can provide guidance on the types of shoes considered appropriate.

Outdoor coats should be single colour, navy or black, three quarter length (plain without logos or other trimming) not leather or imitation leather or fur around the hood.

Scarves must only be those approved as part of the College uniform.

Those whose religious beliefs require variation to this code will be accommodated, taking into account reasonable adjustments for the smooth and safe running of the school.

## 3 Non-compliance

Failure to abide by the terms of this policy is a disciplinary offence. If pupils come to the College in incorrect uniform then, in the absence of a good reason, parents/guardians will be asked to remove them briefly until the pupil conforms. In the case of persistent non-compliance, the College may ask the parents/guardians to remove the child permanently.

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# Appendix 1

# Uniform List 2021-22

All items of school uniform and P.E. / Games kit should be clearly marked with the pupil's full name. \* available only at the College

Year 7 - 11 Uniform		
Girls	Boys	
School blazer*	School blazer*	
School tie*	School tie*	
Shirt - white, long sleeved	Shirt - white, long sleeved	
Skirt - navy, box pleated (must be on or just above the knee). Skirt must be purchased from John Lewis - product code: 53940208	Black trousers (of moderate leg width), not patterned	
OR		
Trousers - navy. Girls' trousers must be purchased from John Lewis - product code 5029307		
Jumper - navy, V-necked (no cardigans)	Jumper - medium or dark grey, V-necked (not black)	
Shoes - black leather or leather type formal shoes (not suede, rubber or canvas) with a low heel and no branding or embellishments visible	Shoes - black leather or leather type formal shoes of a lace up or slip on style - trainers or sports shoes of any type are not permitted	
Tights - navy, non-patterned OR	Socks - dark grey or black	
Socks - navy, knee-length, not patterned, no bows or embellishments		
Navy or black three-quarter length coat (without logos or other trimmings), not leather or imitation leather, no fur around the hood	Navy or black three-quarter length coat (without logos or other trimmings), not leather or imitation leather, no fur around the hood	

Year 7 - 11 Uniform Rules		
Girls	Boys	
Lower School tie must have 7 full blue stripes showing. Middle School tie must have the school crest showing	Lower School tie must have 7 full blue stripes showing. Middle School tie must have the school crest showing	
No jewellery is to be worn. A watch is permitted	No jewellery is to be worn. A watch is permitted	
Hair - if longer than collar length must be securely tied back (ribbons/slides must be navy, black or maroon) - hair must be naturally coloured	Hair must be worn above the collar and be well groomed. Hair colour must be natural and shaved heads are not permitted	
Make up or nail varnish are not permitted	Appearance - clean-shaven	

Year 7 - 11 P.E. / Games Kit	
Girls	Boys
Hoodie - navy, crested*	Sports top - navy, crested*
Sports top - navy, crested*	Gym shorts - navy
Skort - navy*	Rugby shirt - amber & maroon*
Leggings - navy*  OR  Tracksuit bottoms - navy crested*	Rugby shorts - navy, crested*
Sport socks - navy, plain, knee-length*	Games socks - navy* P.E. socks - white
Trainers & football boots	½ Zip mid-layer top - navy, crested*
Gum shield & shin pads	Tracksuit bottoms - navy, crested*
	Athletic support (not boxer shorts)
	Trainers & football boots
	Gum shield & shin pads

Only school kit is allowed. When pupils need to wear school kit during the school day, they must wear tracksuit bottoms or leggings (girls). P.E. shorts or skorts may not be worn in school during the school day, only at fixtures or during P.E. / Games lessons.

All kit must be carried in an appropriate kit bag / rucksack (carrier bags are not acceptable).

Sixth Form Uniform	
Girls	Boys
Sixth Form blazer*	Sixth Form blazer*
Sixth Form tie/half colours tie*	Sixth Form tie/half colours tie*
White shirt	White shirt - no motif or coloured Tshirts to be worn underneath
Black skirt - medium length - on or below the knee. Must be one of the following officially approved skirts:  Marks & Spencer's:	Black trousers (of moderate leg width), not patterned
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https://www.marksandspencer.com/senior-girls-long-pencilskirt/p/clp60100363?color=BLACK&prevPage=srp	
https://www.marksandspencer.com/girls-pure-cotton-skin-kindskirt/p/clp60181466?color=BLACK&prevPage=srp	
https://www.marksandspencer.com/girls-adaptiveskirt/p/clp60104235?color=BLACK&prevPage=srp	
John Lewis:	

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Sixth Form P.E. / Games Kit	
Girls	Boys
Hoodie - navy, crested*	Sports top - navy, crested*
Sports top - navy, crested*	Rugby shorts - navy, crested*
Skort - navy *	Games socks - navy*
Leggings - navy*  OR  Tracksuit bottoms - navy, crested*	⅓ Zip mid-layer top - navy, crested*
Sport socks - navy, plain knee-length*	Tracksuit bottoms - navy, crested*
Trainers	Rugby jersey (provided for matches)
	Football jersey (provided for matches)
	Athletic support (not boxer shorts)
	Trainers & football boots
	Gum shield & shin pads

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### **Sixth Form Uniform Rules**

Jewellery:

Watches permitted

Earrings - small gold stud only Rings - only one ring may be worn

Bracelets - unobtrusive

Make up - must be simple and unobtrusive

Hair must be kept tidy

Hair accessories - must be discreet

Appearance - clean shaven