



St. Mary's College

Preparatory School

Uniform Code

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St Mary's College Preparatory School – The Prep
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(This policy includes EYFS Reception, KS1 and KS2)

This policy has been written in consultation with staff and governors of The Prep and with due regard to the school's mission statement:

Our Mission is to provide an independent Catholic education for boys and girls of all faiths aged 0-18; to provide individual challenge towards holistic and balanced development, service and achievement for life and beyond; and to try to show our Faith by the way we live, showing care and consideration for each other, those around us and the environment.

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. The school will not discriminate unlawfully on the grounds of sex, race, disability, sexual orientation and religion or belief. Parents are requested to read the school'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 the Information for Parents Booklet; additional copies of the list are available from the School Office or the website, <http://stmarys.ac/prep>

All blouses / shirts must be tucked into skirts and trousers.

Top buttons on shirts must be fastened at all times and tie knots covering that top button.

Girls must wear navy tights or navy knee length socks in the Christmas and Easter Terms and plain white ankle socks in the Summer Term.

Boys must wear the school grey socks with maroon hoops

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 Headmaster 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 Headmaster shall be the final arbiter of neat and well groomed.

No jewellery permitted, except a watch for both boys and girls.

No make-up allowed.

Shoes should be plain black and have a low heel height and no conspicuous markings.

Only the school crested outdoor coat should be worn.

Scarves must only be those approved as part of the school uniform, preferably navy or maroon.

3 Non-compliance

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