



OUR REF :

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To: Parents of STUDENTS FROM YEAR ONE TO YEAR THIRTEEN (AND NEWLY ADMITTED STUDENTS)

Re: CLARIFICATIONS REGARDING UNIFORM POLICY FOR ACADEMIC YEAR 2022- 2023

Dear Parents,

Greetings from St. Mary's. We are writing to remind you about the existing uniform policy which will continue through for the academic year 2022 - 2023. There are no changes to the school uniform for the next year.

A detailed circular / process map for the sale of the BOYS' POLO TEES, HOODIES AND THE SPORTS UNIFORMS WILL BE ISSUED IN THE FIRST WEEK OF AUGUST. PLEASE CHECK THE WEBSITE FOR THE SAME. THAT CIRCULAR WILL ALSO HAVE ATTACHED ORDER FORMS THAT MUST BE PRINTED AS A SINGLE COPY PER CHILD AND BROUGHT WITH YOU ON THE DAY OF THE SALE OF UNIFORMS.

SCHOOL UNIFORM

Girls' Shirt:

All girls will continue to wear the light blue blouse with the school logo. **We request parents to kindly make sure that the size selected for your daughter is appropriate with a slightly looser fit for a more modest appearance.**

Girls' Skirt :

Girls will also continue to wear the existing grey skirt, but we would appeal to all parents to make sure that the skirts purchased for your daughter, are worn modestly and are of appropriate length. (must cover the knees while seated). **It has been an unpleasant experience to have to constantly correct our young ladies for the often immodest length of their skirts and we strongly urge all parents to take strict cognizance of the same and to ensure that your daughters' skirts are well below the knee. Do take into account sudden gains in height when you purchase the skirts.**

Boys' Uniform :

Boys will also continue to wear the white T-Shirt with the school logo and navy blue trousers.

Boys' and Girls' Sports Uniform :

Boys and girls in Primary School (Years 1 through 6) will wear dark navy blue track pants and a T-shirt in their respective house colours with the house logo on the back and the school logo in front. (However if parents wish to purchase shorts for primary boys and girls to wear during the warmer months, these will be made available.) However Students in Secondary school (Years 7 through 11) will wear dark navy blue track pants and a T-shirt in their respective house colours with the house logo on the back and the school logo in front.

SHOES (GIRLS)

GIRLS will be allowed to wear sports shoes (ONLY FULL WHITE) on the days they have sports and / or co-curricular activities. On other days, all girls MUST wear BLACK FORMAL LEATHER SHOES with GREY SOCKS.

School Formal Leather Shoes must be fully black. Sports shoes must be regular white. No additional colours, whatsoever will be accepted. If the shoes have laces, the laces must be the same plain colour as the shoes. **No converse or canvas shoes or boots or pumps will be allowed. We would ask you also not to allow your daughter to wear boys' shoes.**

SHOES (BOYS)

BOYS will be allowed to wear sports shoes (ONLY FULL WHITE) on the days they have sports and / or co-curricular activities. On other days, all boys MUST wear BLACK FORMAL LEATHER SHOES with NAVY BLUE SOCKS.

School Formal leather shoes must be fully black. Sports shoes must be regular white. No additional colours whatsoever will be accepted. If the shoes have laces, the laces must be the same plain colour as the shoes. **No converse or canvas shoes will be allowed.**

We would advise parents to buy simple school footwear for their children. This will be more economical for you and will also ensure that the shoes are in keeping with the school regulations.

WINTER PULLOVER / HOODIE :

The winter pullover / hoodie also continues to be the same.

Kindly note that on those days when students have sports and / or co-curricular activities they **MUST** wear the complete PE uniform and no excuses will be entertained. However, on all other days, students are not permitted to wear the PE uniform or even a combination of

it with the regular school uniform. On days when students do not have sports and / or activities, they **MUST** wear the regular school uniform.

All boys **MUST** wear an under- shirt or vest. Kindly note that it **MUST** be **ONLY WHITE** in colour. Similarly, all girls **MUST** wear a vest or camisole that **MUST** be **ONLY WHITE** in colour.

We would also like all parents and students to be aware that uniform infractions will be dealt with very strictly . Students will receive a note for a breach of uniform regulations (this includes the use of accessories, nail polish, hair highlights, tints or colour etc. which is not permitted). Upon the receipt of three notes for uniform infractions, students will be asked to spend a day home under suspension which will also be reflected in their personal student record.

We appeal to parents to co-operate with us in ensuring that children leave for school in the morning in a uniform which is clean, orderly and worn with dignity. The way the children dress says much about the image of the school, and, quite frankly, the attitude of the children and their level of co-operation, in some cases, has been very disappointing and at times very frustrating. We also appeal to parents to make sure that all students maintain a good sense of personal hygiene and are particular about daily hygiene routines. **PLEASE MAKE SURE THAT NO HAIR COLOUR / TINTING / HIGHLIGHTING IS DONE OVER THE SUMMER FOR YOUR CHILD'S HAIR. WE WILL ASK YOU TO HAVE IT REMOVED IF THIS IS FOUND IN AUGUST 2022.**

Parents will have to expect that more stringent action will be taken next year on children who do not comply with regulations on uniform. We need to work together to instill a sense of pride in the children about their appearance. We strongly believe that this will also improve the discipline of the children too.

Thank you in advance for your kind co-operation in this matter.

Yours sincerely,



Mr. Paul Asir Joseph
(Principal)

