



St Thomas More Catholic Primary School

UNIFORM POLICY

RATIONALE

At St Thomas More Catholic Primary School we believe that wearing the full and correct school uniform is an extremely important and integral feature of our school community. The uniform symbolises identity and unites all students equally. It instils a sense of pride and belonging to the St Thomas More Catholic Primary School community. Wearing the correct and full school uniform assists in developing self-respect, self-discipline and care for oneself. It also reflects the values and attitudes held within the school community, it provides structure and routine in attendance at school. The uniform reflects an image of the school in the public forum. We actively encourage our students to take pride in themselves and their school. One way to achieve this is through adherence to the school's dress standards.

When parents and guardians enrol their child at St Thomas More Catholic Primary School, they agree to abide by the following rules and procedures of our school. Adhering to the school's uniform policy is, therefore, a parental responsibility that is taken on as part of accepting membership in the school community.

PRINCIPLES

1. All students from Year 1 to Year 6 are required to wear the standard Summer or Winter uniform every day except for sports days. Kindergarten and Pre-Primary students are to wear the sports uniform each day.
2. The Summer Uniform is worn in Terms One and Four and the Winter Uniform is worn in Terms Two and Three.
3. The Sports Uniform may be worn to school on sport days.
4. Wearing the correct uniform incorporates the wearing of jewellery, hairstyles and make-up.
5. The staff of St Thomas More Catholic Primary School will encourage and monitor students wearing the correct uniform and issue Uniform Infringements as necessary.
6. Parents and carers will provide their child/children with the correct school uniform that meets the requirements and raise any concerns with the Principal and will maintain the uniform ensuring that it is at all times clean and in good condition.

PROCEDURES

1. Students are to wear the correct school uniform to school each day. Should a student be out of uniform, a note must be sent to school explaining the reason. If a reason is not given, a note will be sent home to parents.
2. Students are expected to wear their uniform in a neat and tidy manner even when outside the school grounds.
3. For sport, the children have two polo shirts – one is the faction colour and the other is the red and blue polo shirt with the school logo. The faction coloured polo shirt should be worn when doing class sport, generally on a Friday. The school polo shirt should be worn during the Physical Education lesson with the Physical Education specialist teacher.

4. The “No hat, No play” rule is implemented throughout the whole year. Students must wear the school hat.
5. During the cooler months, many children wear additional clothing under their uniform. If this is the case the additional clothing should not be visible under the uniform (ie. a long sleeved t-shirt under a short-sleeved shirt). A spray jacket is available from the Uniform shop, however, is not to be worn in the classroom.
6. Girls may be permitted to wear grey trousers during the Winter months in consultation with the Principal.
7. At no time should students be dressed inappropriately. This includes clothing worn on Free-Dress Days. Inappropriate dress refers to clothing or apparel worn by students that is deemed to be:
 - Offensive;
 - Likely to disrupt, or negatively influence normal school operations;
 - Unsafe for student or others; and
 - Likely to result in a risk to health and safety of student or others.
8. All items of clothing should be clearly labelled with the student’s name.
9. The Uniform Shop is open each Tuesday afternoon from 1.30pm-3:00pm during school term time. Order forms are also available from the school office. Parents who are unable to attend uniform sales can request items by sending the order and appropriate money in an envelope with their child. The order will be filled and sent home with the child.
10. Some second-hand uniforms are available for purchase at the Uniform Shop.

| GIRLS UNIFORM | BOYS UNIFORM |
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| <i>SUMMER</i> | <i>SUMMER</i> |
| Blue Checked Dress | Grey Shorts |
| Sandals or Black School Shoes | White Open Neck Short Sleeved Shirt |
| School Hat | Sandals or Black School Shoes |
| | School Hat |
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| <i>WINTER</i> | <i>WINTER</i> |
| Red Tartan Skirt/Tunic | Long Grey Pants |
| Long Sleeved White Shirt | Long Sleeved White Shirt |
| School Jumper | School Jumper |
| White ankle length socks | Grey ankle length socks |
| Black Shoes – standard leather lace-up | Black Shoes – standard leather lace-up |
| Royal Blue Wet Weather Jacket | Royal Blue Wet Weather Jacket |
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| <i>SPORT</i> | <i>SPORT</i> |
| Unisex Royal Blue Shorts | Unisex Royal Blue Shorts |
| School Polo Shirt | School Polo Shirt |
| Coloured House Polo Shirt | Coloured House Polo Shirt |
| White Sports Socks | White Sports Socks |
| School Tracksuit | School Tracksuit |
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| <i>SPORT SHOES</i> | <i>SPORT SHOES</i> |
| Sports/Training Shoes/Sneakers | Sports/Training Shoes/Sneakers |
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- **Hairstyles:** Hair, which is longer than collar length, needs to be tied back. Hair should be tied with either blue or red matching school scrunchies, headbands, ribbons or elastic. No extreme hair styles are permitted. This includes, but is not limited to, mohawks, part or complete head shaving, patterns shaved into the hair, dyed hair, rats tails.
- **Jewellery:** Jewellery is not part of the school uniform and must not be worn. The only items of jewellery permitted are:
 - a wrist watch
 - one stud only in each ear lobe – no multiple piercings permitted
 - a medi-alert bracelet / anaphylaxis badge (if required)
 - a simple necklace with religious significance, which may be worn under the clothing.
 - rings, bracelets, bangles and anklets are not permitted.
- Make-up and nail varnish/polish are not to be worn.
- **Scarves:** Children are permitted to wear scarves in Terms 3 and 4. Scarves are to be in the school colours. Football scarves are not permitted.
- **Footwear:** Skate Shoes, Boots and slip-on shoes are not suitable for school use and are not to be worn. **Standard black leather lace-up or Velcro shoes** are the winter uniform shoe.
- Examples of acceptable types of school shoes include the following styles:



Examples of unacceptable shoes include:

