



Uniform Policy and Procedure

2026

Policy Statement

Taking pride and care in one's appearance is an excellent way of expressing self-respect and showing others that you respect them. Clean and appropriate grooming, and the correct wearing of the College uniform follows on from this premise and reinforces the notion that students are aware of the importance of being part of something bigger than themselves. By living up to these expectations daily, students are demonstrating they are a proud member of the St Mary's College Community and respect the traditions and heritage of all that have gone before them.

It is an expectation of the College that all students be in complete and correct uniform and present themselves in a clean, tidy and well-groomed manner. This expectation extends beyond the College grounds, as the representation of the College in the community is influenced by students wearing the full and correct uniform. Students are expected to come to and from school in the correct uniform. Teachers will remind students of what is required should they not meet expectations.

Our sun safety policy requires the wearing of hats whenever outdoors. Therefore, the wearing of hats with both the formal and sports uniform is a significant component of the College uniform.

For all Year Levels Monday and Wednesday is Formal Uniform, Tuesday and Thursday is students' choice of Formal or Sports uniform. Friday is Formal, House or Sports Uniform.

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
UNIFORM	Formal	Sport or Formal	Formal	Sport or Formal	House, Sport or Formal

Care and Maintenance

Parents are expected to check daily that their child is meeting the College's uniform and personal appearance standards, as this partnership between home and the College is essential. This includes ensuring uniforms are well maintained in terms of wear and tear, cleanliness, and correct sizing. Students and parents/caregivers are responsible for the appropriate care and upkeep of all College uniform items, and any damaged or poorly maintained items must be replaced. To prevent loss or confusion, all uniform items must be clearly marked with the student's name.

Formal Uniform

Girls

- Formal light blue blouse
- Tie must be worn in Terms 2 and 3 with College and House badges pinned to the tie whenever it is worn
- Navy skirt which sits just above the knee (years 7-9)
- Navy skirt which sits mid-calf (years 10-12)
- College socks with black leather (not suede) shoes
- White broad brimmed hat with the College Crest on the center front
- College navy jumper or College Blazer may be worn

Boys

- Formal light blue shirt
- Shirt must be tucked into shorts during Term 2 and 3
- Tie must be worn in Terms 2 and 3 with College and House badges pinned to the tie whenever it is worn
- Navy shorts
- College (or similar) black belt
- College socks with black leather (not suede) shoes.
- Navy broad brimmed hat with the College Crest on the center front
- College navy jumper or College Blazer may be worn



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Sports Uniform

- Navy sports shirt (years 7-10) or navy, gold and white striped shirt (years 10-12) which are designed not to be tucked in
- Unisex navy sports shorts with the option of a navy-blue skirt for girls
- College navy tracksuit pants can be worn
- Navy blue or black sports briefs can be worn under sports skirt
- College socks
- College bucket hat or formal hat
- College sports jacket may be worn
- Sports shoes must be white, grey or black with matching laces. Must be suitable for high-impact sporting activities. No boots, skate shoes, flat soled or basketball shoes are to be worn as they are unsafe for sporting activities.
- Swimmers must be modest and be in keeping with respect for the dignity of both the wearer and others

Senior Uniform

- Senior Badge is to be worn with the College and House badges on the Formal Uniform
- Senior Jersey is not a compulsory part of the College uniform, but can be worn by Year 12 students with both the Formal and Sports Uniform

House Uniform

- House shirts are a non-compulsory option
- Each House has their own polo shirt, and it can be worn with sports shorts or skirt

Winter Uniform

- Long navy or black slacks or trousers may be worn as an alternative to the formal shorts or skirts (not available from the College Uniform Shop). Navy or black socks must be worn to accompany long trousers.
- Black opaque tights and navy-blue scarves are optional for girls

Subject Specific Uniform Requirements

Technology Workshop

Due to workplace health and safety, the following requirements are mandatory in the Technology Workshop

- Students in (years 7- 10) must wear a full leather shoe
- Students in (years 11- 12) must wear steel caps

Science Labs

Due to workplace health and safety, the following requirements are mandatory in the Science Labs

- Students must wear a full leather shoe when completing practical lessons in the science laboratories



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Grooming and Jewellery

Hair

- Hair must be kept neat, clean and tidy, away from the face
- If hair touches the collar or covers the eyebrows it must be tied back with an appropriate hair tie
- Hair grooming, styling and colouring must be considerate of our school values.
 - No extremes of style will be accepted. Examples of extremes of style include dreadlocks, tracks, shaved sections, or mullets.
 - Students must maintain natural hair colours. Bleached blonde and other unnatural shades are not permitted.
- Clipper cuts must have a blade length no shorter than a 3
- Students may wear hair ties or ribbons in their hair. Hair ties are to be black or brown in colour. Ribbons must be modest and in blue, yellow or white.

Grooming

- Facial hair is **not** permitted
- Make up, coloured nail polish, fake nails or extended false eye lashes is **not** permitted

Jewellery and Body Art (including piercings and tattoos)

- A single silver or gold chain with an appropriate religious symbol can be worn inside the shirt or blouse
- Wrist watches are permitted but no other wrist or arm jewellery is allowed, including bracelets and rings
- Earrings must be small, plain sleepers, studs or birthstone, with a maximum of one earring worn in each ear lobe
- Body art or other body piercings must not be visible at any time in either formal or sports uniform, or casual clothes worn on 'free dress' days, camps and retreats
- Any jewellery worn outside of these guidelines will be confiscated and stored in Student Reception. All confiscated items will be clearly labelled and can be collected by the student at the end of the school day.

Procedure

1. Formal uniform is worn two days per week at St Mary's.
2. Formal uniform must be worn each Monday and Wednesday by all students. It will also be worn on other specified special occasions which will be notified in advance.
3. On the remaining three days students may wear either their Sports or Formal uniform.
4. House shirts may be worn on Fridays as well as to the Swimming Carnival, Cross Country, and Athletics Carnivals.
5. From time-to-time special occasions will allow or require students to wear different uniforms/free dress/or themed dress. Parents and students will be notified of these occasions in advance.
6. On the first day of school each year, all students wear their formal uniforms.

Responsibility for implementation:

Staff, parents and guardians

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Update

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Staff, parents and guardians

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College Leadership Team

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The content of this policy can be changed at the College's discretion at any time without notification.



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Uniform Guides

Formal Uniform

Years 10, 11 & 12



Years 7, 8 & 9



All year levels



Unisex House Shirt
(Archer House Shown)



Sports Uniform

Years 10, 11 & 12



Years 7, 8 & 9



Shoes

Formal - Examples of suitable shoes



Sports - Examples of suitable shoes



Socks

- Black Opaque Tights
- College Socks

