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# School Uniform Policy

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## Purposes of the Policy

At St Mary's Primary school we pride ourselves in being smart, well presented and ready for learning. It is our policy that all pupils wear a school uniform when attending school, or when participating in a school-organised event outside of or during normal school hours. A complete list of items needed is listed in the uniform section of our 'Day to Day' running on our school site and within this policy. St Mary's school uniform is a way of showing that the pupils and parent/carers are prepared, respectful and in line with our whole-school ethos.

## Aims and Objectives

The aims of this policy are to;

- Promote a sense of pride in the school
- Engender a sense of community and belonging towards the school
- Help to support our commitment to inclusion
- Identify pupil's with St Mary's School
- Help pupils feel equal to their peers
- Ensure pupils' uniforms are practical, smart, affordable and are suitable , with health and safety in mind
- Ensure that pupils are dressed smartly

## Uniform Requirements

- White polo shirt (may be plain, but preferably with blue stripe and school logo) **or**
- White shirt and tie (year 3-6 only)
- Navy jumper or cardigan (may be plain, but preferably with school logo)
- Mid-grey or charcoal grey long **or** short trousers
- Navy skirt/pinafore dress/skort (knee length only)
- Navy tailored trousers or tailored shorts (knee length)
- Blue and white checked dress
- White, mid-grey or black socks (**not** trainer/sports socks)
- Navy tights
- Navy or black shoes or closed toe sandals (no trainers or heels higher than 2cm)

Pupils from Reception to Year 2 are encouraged to keep a spare set of clothes including underwear and socks in their PE bag.

## Outdoor Wear

In the cold winter months, pupils are expected to wear coats and are permitted to wear hat/ear-muffs, scarf and gloves. On hot days all pupils are expected to wear full uniform (without jumpers). Items such as polo-shirts/short-sleeved shirts, tailored shorts and summer dresses are all appropriate in the hot weather. Summer hats also advised during this time to avoid sunburn.

## Hair

All children, regardless of gender, should tie hair up where it is long enough to do so. Hair accessories should be functional rather than decorative (should not have objects attached to them such as flowers) and in St. Mary's



colours, which are **navy, white, or blue and white checked**.

### **Jewellery**

On Health and Safety grounds, we do not allow children to wear jewellery in our school. The exceptions to this rule are earrings studs in pierced ears, small objects of religious significance and a watch. Pupils are required to remove any items (including earrings, watches and badges) during PE lessons or after school sports events to prevent injury. Please note that pupils **must** be able to remove items themselves as school staff members are not permitted to do it. **If pupils cannot remove items themselves they should not wear jewellery items on the days they have PE lessons or sports events.**

Medical identification bracelets may be worn by children who have significant medical problems e.g. diabetes or epilepsy.

Please note that the school will be unable to take any responsibility for any jewellery items that are lost.

### **Footwear**

For health and safety reasons, we do not allow pupils to wear shoes with platform soles or high heels. All pupils are required to wear flat, plain black shoes and closed toed sandals. Open toe sandals and flip-flops are not permitted. If boots are worn these should also be plain black and flat. If boots are large and prevent pupils from sitting comfortably on the floor they may be asked to change into their school shoes.

Pupils can bring plimsolls or trainers into school to change into for PE lessons, games or when participating in a school-organised events outside event during normal school hours.

### **PE Kit**

Please make sure that pupils have PE/Games kit for both inside and outside activities, ensuring it is weather appropriate as we try to take children outside as much we can. Children should wear their PE kit to school on their PE days, as advised by their class teacher and wear them all day. If a child has afterschool club, they should wear school uniform and bring their PE kits to school.

- St Mary's **blue** polo shirt **with logo**
- St Mary's sweatshirt **with logo**
- Plain navy tailored short/skorts/leggings (**not** football shorts or Lycra. Shorts and skorts with a logo are available)
- Navy Jogging trousers
- From Reception to Yr2 - Velcro or elastic plimsolls
- From Year 3 - Trainers for outdoor use

All pupils swim in Key Stage 2. Girls should have a one-piece swimming costume and boy's swimming trunks. All pupils must wear a swimming cap. These are available for purchase from the school office.

### **The Role of Parents**



St Mary's believe that one of the responsibilities of parent/carers is to ensure that their child has the correct uniform and PE kit, and that it is clean, in good repair and **that the child's name is written on all items**. If a parent has difficulties for any reason fulfilling this request, they are asked to speak confidentially to a senior member of staff to discuss the issues. Parents should be assured that St Mary's is willing to be of help.

Pupils who arrive at school wearing non-school uniform or PE clothing will be loaned an appropriate item from school were possible. Parents will be contacted to discuss the matter and may be requested to return to school with correct clothing.

### **Naming Clothing and Property**

VITALLY IMPORTANT – St Mary's asks parent/carers to ensure that all clothing and property is clearly marked so that lost articles may be easily traced and returned. The school cannot accept responsibility for loss or damage of pupils' property and valuables.

### **Lost Property**

Any unidentified items of school uniform will be taken to the designated lost and found box. Pupils are encouraged to look in these boxes to reclaim lost property, on the understanding that the found item will be clearly named.

### **School Uniform Suppliers**

#### ELLIS SCOTT

Website: <https://ellisscott.co.uk/>

Address: 24 Church Street, Reigate, Surrey, RH2 0AN

Phone: Customer Service on 01737 243825

Parents may;

- Make a purchase online with click and collect or shipping or
- Visit the Ellis Scott shop in Reigate

#### PMG

Website: <https://www.pmgsschoolwear.co.uk/>

Phone: Customer Service on 01895 809 321

Parents may;

- Make a purchase online with click and collect or shipping

### **Second Hand Uniform**

Some second-hand uniform is available and parent/carers can contact school office for more detailed information.