ST. THOMAS MORE CATHOLIC

PRIMARY SCHOOL

Uniform & Appearance Policy

MISSION STATEMENT

I have come so that they may have life and have it to the full - John 10:10

As a Catholic school, God is at the heart of all we do. We believe that each person is made in His image, deserving to be treated with respect and dignity.

Showing respect, love and care for everyone and everything, we aim to develop harmony between pupils, parents, the school and Parish and grow as a Christian community.

We aim to embed the virtues in every child to believe in themselves to be the best that they can be and leave school as well-rounded individuals who care about themselves, others, and the world.

This policy must be read in conjunction with the Safeguarding and Child Protection Policy

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Introduction

At St Thomas More Catholic Primary School pupils wear their uniform with pride. Our uniform shows that we are part of the St Thomas More Catholic Primary School community. We have the highest expectations from our students with regards to school uniform and appearance and strongly believe that our high standards promote positive behaviour, support effective teaching and learning and contribute to the ethos of the school.

School Uniform

We have a school uniform, and we expect our pupils to wear their uniform smartly. St Thomas More logo items can be purchased from Brigade Uniform (www.brigade.uk.com). All items of uniform must be labelled with the pupil's name. The uniform consists of the following:

- Yellow polo shirt (logo)
- Navy blue sweatshirt or cardigan (logo)
- Grey school trousers or navy skirt/pinafore dress
- White socks or navy tights (girls) / grey socks (boys)
- All hair accessories must be yellow or navy blue
- Yellow and white or blue and white checked summer dress
- Black or navy school shoes (trainers, boots, shoes with heels or backless sandals are **NOT** part of our school uniform
- Navy or black outdoor school coat
- Book bag or rucksack (logo)

Jewellery

Jewellery is not allowed to be worn in school. The only exception to this is a watch and one pair of small, stud earrings if pupils have pierced ears. Earrings must be removed for PE lessons for Health & Safety reasons. If your child is unable to remove the earrings themselves, they should not come to school with them in on PE days. No other body piercings are allowed, e.g. nose piercings. Pupils who wear jewellery in school will be required to remove the Items of jewellery which will be confiscated by the teacher and must be collected by the parent after school.

Hairstyles

- Hair should be the pupil's natural colour and must not be dyed a different colour, either temporary or permanent.
- The style should be appropriate for school. Hair should not obstruct the pupil's vision.
- Pupils with long hair must have it tied back using yellow or navy-blue hair accessories. If hair is long enough to be tied back, it must be.

- Boys' hair should be no shorter than Grade 2 and no tramlines, patterns and sculpting is allowed.

Headdress

STUDENTS MUST NOT WEAR:

- Hoodies or sportswear as part of everyday uniform (e.g. jogging bottoms) sportswear is allowed on PE days only.
- Trainers are not allowed to be worn at any time other than for PE days and clubs.
- Any kind of boots (wellingtons are allowed in wet weather/snow but must be changed when inside the school building).
- Leather or denim clothing.
- Make-up, false eyelashes/extensions or nail varnish must not be worn by any pupil in school and parents will be called to come in to school to remove these items if pupils come in to school them.
- False nails are a serious Health & Safety hazard and must not be worn at any time by pupils in school. Parents will be called to come in to school to remove them if pupils come in to school with false nails on
- Hair extensions/wraps must not be worn on the school premises.
- Body paint/art or temporary tattoos must be washed off or removed before pupils come in to school.

PE Kit

A PE kit is part of the school uniform, and on PE days the children will be asked to wear PE kit to school.

They need a labelled PE kit consisting of the following:

- Yellow t-shirt
- Navy blue shorts
- Navy blue sweatshirt and tracksuit bottoms for outdoor games in cold weather.
- Indoor trainers or plimsolls
- Outdoor trainers

Non-Compliance with the Uniform & Appearance Policy

Parents of pupils who come into school without the correct uniform will be contacted and requested to bring in the correct uniform. Persistent and defiant non-compliance with this policy will result in an appropriate sanction which may include your child being sent home or suspended.