ST CATHERINE’S UNIFORM POLICY

Students are required to wear the complete school uniform as outlined in the St Catherine’s School Handbook. Students out of uniform must bring a note of explanation signed by their parent or guardian. The wearing of School uniform is compulsory for a number of reasons:

1. In a time when great uncertainty exists, we feel it is beneficial for a child to develop loyalties to his/her peers and also to belong. Children should be proud of their school and through genuine school spirit to communicate the pride of belonging to the school community.

2. School uniform adds to the atmosphere, prestige, tone and spirit of a school.

3. School uniform prevents the problem of unhealthy competition related to expensive labels.

4. School uniform assists home routines and avoids last minute “what to wear” decisions.

5. School uniform is useful in identifying worthy or blameworthy behaviour of our pupils in the community. It therefore encourages the one and discourages the other.

To assist in the implementation of this policy the following guidelines apply.

- All students are to wear their shirt tucked in
- Tee shirts and singlets worn under shirts must not be visible, must be white and without any logo.
- Students are not to wear make-up or nail polish
- Students are not to have dyed or coloured hair (temporary or permanent).
- Hair must be tied back if the length is below the shoulder
- Boy’s hair must not be worn below the collar
- All students are expected to wear their hair neat and tidy and off the face
- No radical hairstyles are allowed and hair care products such as gel should be used sparingly
- No decorative hair accessories other than those listed as uniform may be worn
- School hats, for protection from the sun, are compulsory from the 1st September to 30th April.
- One standard sized sleeper/stud is allowed in each ear. No other visible body piercing is allowed
- A watch is the only other jewellery to be worn, with the exception of a crucifix or medallion worn for religious reasons, which must be worn under the uniform
- Sports briefs may be worn under the dress or tunic for convenience in the playground and during P.M.P. (no bike shorts allowed)
- Summer uniform is to be worn in 1st and 4th Term. Winter uniform is to be worn in 2nd and 3rd Term. There is a changeover period of 2 weeks at the beginning of 2nd and 4th Term when summer or winter uniform may be worn.
UNIFORM ITEMS
Most items are regulation, meaning that the school has determined the style or manufacture. Our uniform supplier is Jan Kennewell trading as St. Catherine's Uniform Shop

REGULATION SUMMER UNIFORM

**BOYS**
- Short sleeve lemon shirt
- Grey tailored shorts
- Burgundy jumper
- Burgundy hat

**GIRLS**
- Summer Dress
- Burgundy jumper
- Burgundy hat

**FOOTWEAR – SUMMER**

**BOYS** – Conventional black school shoes
- Short grey socks

**GIRLS** – Conventional black school shoes – low heel
- White ankle socks – traditional school style

REGULATION WINTER UNIFORM

**BOYS**
- Long/short sleeve lemon shirt
- Grey tailored trousers
- Burgundy jumper
- Burgundy waterproof jacket – optional

**GIRLS**
- Long sleeve lemon shirt
- Winter tunic
- Burgundy jumper
- Burgundy waterproof jacket – optional

**FOOTWEAR – WINTER**

**BOYS**
- Black school shoes
- Short/long grey socks

**GIRLS**
- Black school shoes
- Grey tights/long grey socks

HAIR – GIRLS
Burgundy headband. Burgundy hair tie, ribbon or scrunchie. Scrunchie in summer dress fabric may be worn with summer uniform only.

REGULATION SPORTS UNIFORM

**BOYS & GIRLS**
- Burgundy windcheaters
- Burgundy Track pants – *Elastic cuff ankle only*
- Grey & burgundy polo tops
- Burgundy shorts

**FOOTWEAR**
- Traditional school style white ankle socks
- Predominantly white runners

SCHOOL BAG
- Compulsory Burgundy School Bags are available from the uniform shop
- Art Smock – can be purchased from uniform shop
- Library Bag – can be purchased from uniform shop
- Reader File – can be purchased from uniform shop