

St. Mary's National School Thomastown Co. Kilkenny Roll No: 20272V

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School Uniform Policy 2025

Following consultation with parents the school has decided on the school uniform as outlined below.

School Uniform:

- Crested navy half-zip top available from Woods Shop, Market Street, Thomastown
- Plain navy unbranded tracksuit bottoms
- White polo t-shirt
- Children can choose to wear grey trousers or skirt instead of tracksuit bottom
- For the months of September, October, May and June navy shorts can be worn instead of the navy tracksuit bottoms. Shorts should be of an appropriate length for school, ideally at least half way to the knee

Rationale and Values underlying the Uniform Policy:

- Establish an identity and sense of belonging
- No pressure on children and parents to wear or buy expensive branded items
- Practical and comfortable for an active education
- Loose fitting to suit all body types

Desired outcomes of Uniform Policy:

- Sense of belonging created
- Sense of equality increased
- Standardisation of the dress code
- Cost effective and practical for parents

Ratification and Review:

This policy was ratified by the Board of Management of St. Mary's National School in March 2025.

Implementation:

The policy will be implemented from September 2025 with a one year transition phase in which pupils can wear the older uniform and tracksuit.