



St Michael's Catholic School UNIFORM POLICY

RATIONALE

St Michael's Catholic School support the wearing of a school uniform in order to help fulfil the aims of the school, in particular those listed below:

- To be a Catholic community recognised by our love of God and of our neighbour
- To value and respect ourselves and all others.

We believe wearing a uniform:

- Promotes equality of opportunity for all pupils, social cohesion amongst pupils and protection from social pressure to dress in a particular way.
- Helps give the pupils of the school a sense of identity, belonging and positive self-image
- Gives the school a well-respected profile and supports its Catholic, Christian ethos
- Creates a culture of high expectations and high achievement within the school;

PROVISIONS

- a) All pupils from Nursery to Key Stage 5 are required to wear full school uniform.
- b) The uniform is designed to be acceptable to pupils, parents and staff and to be suitable (in terms of safety and comfort) for the range of activities pupils enjoy at school.
- c) The uniform list is published on the school website and in information sent out to new parents. Reminders about the uniform details are sent out to all pupils at least once a year. Items are priced competitively and the overall cost of the school uniform is kept low.
- d) Occasionally, changes are made in consultation with the students, parents and staff.
- e) The Sixth Form are required to wear smart office attire to school, including a shirt and tie for the boys.
- f) Requests for reasonable adjustments to uniform to meet the needs of individual pupils, e.g. for medical or religious reasons, will be carefully considered. However, in adopting this policy the governors have taken all possible steps to ensure that it is fair and reasonable, is non-discriminatory and acceptable to the majority.

All labelled items of main school uniform are available online or in person from:

**Sport Crest
3 Union Parade,
High Wycombe
HP11 2BQ**

01494 534741

www.sportscrest.co.uk

**Bucks School Wear Plus,
Unit 11
The Vale Industrial Estate Bucks
Southern Road
Aylesbury
HP19 9EW**

01296 422120

www.Bucksschoolwearplus.co.uk

Please note that no other retailer has been approved to sell badged items of uniform. The uniform is non-negotiable and parents are expected to support the school by ensuring their children are wearing the correct uniform. The Headteacher can discipline your child for not wearing the school uniform and they can be removed from lessons, suspended or expelled from school if they repeatedly ignore the uniform policy.

(See the Government website <https://www.gov.uk/school-uniform>)

Uniform List is attached as Appendix A.

MONITORING

- a) Pupils not meeting expectations regarding uniform will be challenged. Where there are extenuating circumstances, the school will give support the student in any way possible to address the issue and resolve the situation.
- b) All staff are involved in monitoring the standard of school uniform. Uniform forms part of the Pupil Non-Negotiables which outline expected standards. All staff have a responsibility to check uniform and follow up any breaches.
- c) As a school we carry out daily uniform checks in registration, and uniform is monitored throughout the day in lessons and during break and lunch.
- d) If a secondary phase pupil persistently fails to meet the requirements of the uniform policy and parents do not respond appropriately to the issues raised, the pupil will be removed from lessons and will work in the Reflection Room whilst in school until an agreed solution is reached.
- e) If a primary phase pupil persistently fails to meet the requirements of the uniform policy and parents do not respond appropriately to the issues raised, a meeting will be held between the parents and the class teacher to ascertain why the uniform policy cannot be adhered to and what solutions can be put in place.

Appendix A.

St Michaels Catholic School Uniform

Primary		
Nursery	Boys and girls	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pale blue polo with St Michael’s logo • Navy blue tracksuit bottoms in the winter – no logo required • Navy blue shorts in the summer • Summer dress/skort (optional in the summer) • Comfortable shoes including trainers 	
Reception	Boys	Girls
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pale blue polo with St Michael’s logo (all year)* • Navy crew neck sweatshirt with St Michael’s logo • Grey trousers in the winter • Grey shorts in the summer • Grey socks • Sensible school shoes (not trainers) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pale blue polo with St Michael’s logo (all year)* • Navy sweat cardigan or navy crew neck sweatshirt with St Michael’s logo • Navy pinafore or navy trousers in the winter • Navy checked dress or skort in the summer • Navy socks or tights in the winter and white socks in the summer • Sensible black or navy school shoes (not trainers)
	PE	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Blue PE t-shirt with St Michael’s logo • Navy shorts • Plimsolls • Navy tracksuit (optional) 	
Key Stage 1 & 2	WINTER	
	Boys	Girls
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Long or short mid-grey school trousers • Plain light blue shirt • St Michaels School tie • St Michael’s sweatshirt • Dark grey socks • Black or navy shoes (no trainers) • Black or navy plain ankle boots (no embellishments) can be worn between 1st October and the last day of the lent (spring term) • Navy blue/black coats or jackets, not cord or denim • Plain Navy blue/black woollen hats 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Navy pinafore or navy skirt (COMPULSORY) • Navy bootleg trousers (OPTIONAL) • All girls must have a school skirt or pinafore dress for formal occasions whilst bootleg trousers are an option for the colder weather. Dates for wearing trousers are between October 1st and the last day of the lent (spring) term. They will not be worn in the Pentecost(summer) term. • Plain light blue blouse • St Michaels School tie

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • School scarves (dark blue or dark blue and light blue stripes) • Navy/black gloves or mittens 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • St Michael’s sweatshirt or cardigan • Navy knee socks or tights • Black or navy shoes (flat heel and secure not ‘ballet pump style’.) • Black or navy plain ankle boots (no embellishments) can be worn between 1st October and the last day of the term (spring term) • Navy blue/black coats or jackets, not cord or denim • Plain Navy blue/black woollen hats • School scarves (dark blue or dark blue and light blue stripes) • Navy/black gloves or mittens
SUMMER (Easter to Summer only)	
<p>Boys</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Long or short mid-grey school trousers • St Michael’s polo shirts • St Michael’s sweatshirts • Dark grey socks • Black or navy shoes 	<p>Girls</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dark blue check regulation school dress or skirt for Reception to Year 3 (Years 4-6 may wear these dresses too if parents wish) • Year 4-6 girls only may wear a St Michael’s polo shirt with their regulation school skirts • St Michael’s sweatshirts or sweatshirt cardigans • Navy or black shoes (No slip-on shoes or open-toe sandals) • Plain white ankle or knee socks
<p>PE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • St Michael’s Light blue T-shirt • Navy shorts • Black slip-on plimsolls • Shoe bag <p>Year 1+</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Navy tracksuit • Trainers (Outdoor games only) and spare socks <p>Year 3+</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Football - either football boots or strong trainers • Year 5-6 girls may wear a navy games skirt for outdoor games only 	
<p>General</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Navy/black coats may be worn or navy cagoules or waterproof coats • Blue sun-hats with school logo (compulsory) • Long hair must always be tied back and hair accessories should be navy or navy and white. • Hair must be a natural colour and haircuts must not be shorter than a grade one. No extreme styles will be permitted, for example no Mohican style haircuts and no shaved patterns or stripes cut into short hair. • Pupils who arrive late at school incorrectly turned out may be sent home. 	

Secondary

**Key Stage 3
& 4**

Boys

- St Michael's navy-blue blazer
- Charcoal grey school trousers (not black)
- White long or short sleeve school shirt
- St Michael's school tie
- St Michael's navy V neck jumper (optional)
- Plain black school shoes (canvas shoes, boots or trainers are not permitted)

Girls

- St Michael's navy-blue blazer
- St Michael's grey pleated skirt (knee length)
- Grey school trousers, standard fit (skinny fit not permitted)
- White standard fit school shirt with button collar
- St Michael's school tie
- St Michaels navy V neck jumper (optional)
- Tights (plain black or navy)
- Socks (plain white, black or navy), no socks worn over tights
- Plain black school shoes (canvas shoes, boots or trainers are not permitted)

Additional Clarification:

- Outdoor coats must be a plain colour – no denim, leather, hoodies, tracksuit or sweatshirt style/ material tops
- Jewellery - one small plain stud per ear permitted, one plain metal cross (2.5cm or smaller), one flat ring may be worn. No facial or body piercings including clear nose studs, no bracelets.
- No extreme hairstyles- including tracks, cuts or unnatural colours
- Natural make up is permitted, no eyeliner or false eyelashes. No coloured nail varnish or false nails.
- School bag - must be large enough to fit A4 exercise books
- Smart watches - smart watches such as Apple Watches and Fitbit's, and high value watches should not be worn in school.






This is not an exhaustive list- the school may make further additions to the list as necessary.

PE

Compulsory

- St Michael's navy/sky blue polo shirt
- Plain navy shorts/skort
- Plain navy rugby socks (compulsory for field activities) or white sports socks
- Sports trainers (no canvas shoes/plimsolls/hightops/fashion trainers)
- Football/rugby boots with studs for field activities (these can be purchased later in the year)
- Shin pads (compulsory for Football)
- Hair tied up
- No jewellery (earrings must be removed)

	<p>Optional</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • St Michael’s navy tracksuit bottoms • St Michael’s navy leggings • St Michael’s PE mid layer top • Plain navy long sleeved base layer top/”skin” • Plain black/navy gloves • Plain black/navy woolly hat • Plain navy waterproof rain coat • St Michael’s PE mid layer top/hoodie/rugby top • Plain navy football base layer tights • GCSE PE kit (GCSE PE students only) <p>NB Tights are not permitted to be worn in PE</p> <p>ALL kit should be clearly named.</p>
<p>Key stage 5 (Sixth Form)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Formal business suit in a dark, conservative and understated colour/pattern · • Formal white or light blue shirt · • St Michaels Sixth Form tie (optional for girls) • Formal blouse or shirt • Formal shoes in black, brown or navy, bearing no resemblance to trainers/airforce <p>See 6th form dress code for comprehensive list</p>

Item	Acceptable	Examples of Acceptable	Not Acceptable	Examples of Not Acceptable
Trousers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Plain grey • Flat or pleated front • Bootleg or straight style • Regular length to meet the shoe 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cropped/rolled – the ankle must not be on show • Skinny/ fitted trousers • Jeans or denim • Leggings • Zips that show • Large belts • Buckles/ laces • Tight fitting 	
Skirts	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • St Michael's school skirt only - with school logo on the waist band 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Any non-St Michael's Skirt. 	
Shoes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Suitable plain black school shoes suitable for wearing with formal attire (blazer/formal trousers). 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Boots • Trainers (including black and/or those that pose as trainers) • Canvas shoes • Flip flops/backless • Open toes 	