UNIFORM POLICY

Rationale
At St Michael's school staff and parents support the concept that a uniform creates a sense of belonging, assists in the development of pride in the school and self, prevents a sub culture of envy from forming, and helps to unite the school body into a community.

Aims
- To provide parents and children with guidelines on what is appropriate to wear to school.
- To eliminate the sections of dress which are not uniform.
- To ensure through communication that all who wear the uniform or who provide the uniform understand what is uniform.

Implementation
- Address the areas of non-uniform which appear to create problems.
- The uniform hat is to be the St Michael’s hat.
- Hair decorations, ribbons and 'scrunchies' to be navy.
- Hair styles and cuts appropriate for primary school children to be encouraged.
- Children’s hair should be its natural colour (no rinses, streaks, dyeing or foils).
- Hair that is shoulder length should be tied back.
- Hair should not display carvings or lines.
- Jewellery which is either inappropriate or valuable should not be worn to school. Children are permitted to wear 1 pair of plain studs or small sleepers (no big hoops). This excludes watches and appropriate religious symbols.
- Nails to be short, clean and free of nail polish.
- Sport t-shirts to be worn on sports days by all children with the exception of Year 6 who may wear their name shirts.
- Representative t-shirts are issued on the day of use and then returned to school. A representative t-shirt is not part of the daily uniform.
- Black leather school shoes (not boots) to be worn with the formal school uniform. The shoes are to be worn to and from school.
- Only the St Michael’s school jacket and jumper are to be worn.
- Only the St Michael’s school navy tracksuit pants are to be worn.
- Predominantly white track shoes/joggers to be worn with the sports uniform.
- Random regular uniform inspections to be held.
- Times for changing from winter to summer and from summer to winter uniform to be published in the newsletter.
- Policy published to parents, children, staff.
- The school bag is a compulsory part of the school uniform.
- Policy to be evaluated annually.