

Uniforms

School uniforms must be worn at all times except when indicated on the monthly calendar as a N.U.T. (No Uniforms Today) Day or if it is a special occasion that students have permission from the school to dress otherwise. Students are expected to look tidy and their uniforms must be in good condition. Please note that black is not a uniform colour for pants. Navy blue pants are available at local department stores. Navy pants/skirts/shorts/skortis must be plain: no logos, no coloured piping, stitching or designs. Denim pants and jeans are not part of the uniform. If you are uncertain of the appropriateness of any item you have or are considering purchasing, please contact the school for clarification to avoid disappointment.

Sweat pants, cargo pants, leggings and overalls are not part of the uniform.

Parents are asked to check your child's uniform regularly to ensure all mandatory uniform pieces are in good condition and meet the school uniform policy. Staff vigorously enforces the uniform policy. Families are encouraged to have an ample uniform supply, as students are not permitted to be out of uniform with "parent permission".

Consequences to students who are not dressed in proper school uniform may include, but not limited to, the loss of N.U.T. day privileges, request to change into spare uniform pieces supplied by the school, and further penalties as set by the School Board. If your child comes home with any borrowed uniform items, they must be freshly laundered and returned to the school the following day. Grades 4-8 students must follow the Gym Uniform Policy, consisting of the grey (Storm logo) T-Shirt and plain black shorts. Students must dress in a respectful and positive manner on non-uniform days. Inappropriate dress refers to a standard of attire which does not meet the school community standards, and includes excessively tight clothing; short dresses, shorts and skirts; clothing that exposes midriff; low cut or see-through; attire that depicts violence, profanity, is derogatory in nature, or contains inappropriate writing or pictures. Strapless/halter/spaghetti-strap tops are deemed inappropriate and are not permitted. Minimal, natural makeup and modest jewellery (including only religious neck chains and stud or small hoop earrings) are acceptable. Neutral or clear nail polish is acceptable. Hair style must be modest and if dyed, natural in colour. Students are expected to wear shoes or runners at all times while in the school. Outside footwear must be removed when entering the school, and stored on the designated boot shelves.

St.Gerard School Uniform Policy:

- 1. Navy or White short-sleeved polo shirt with school logo** (purchased through the school)
-PLAIN NAVY OR WHITE POLO SHIRTS WITHOUT THE SCHOOL LOGO ARE NOT PERMITTED.
-COLOURED SHIRT LAYERS ARE NOT PERMITTED.
Navy blue pants, walking shorts, skorts or jumpers are the only acceptable items to be worn with the uniform tops.
- 2. Indoor sweater must be the blue zip-front hood** (purchased through the school).
If your child favours wearing a sweater in class, permitted wear is St. Gerard cardigan over the uniform polo shirt. STUDENTS ARE NOT PERMITTED TO WEAR HOODIES OR SWEATERS OF THEIR CHOICE.
- 3. Navy blue or White Socks only** (ankle, knee high or leotards) **for daily wear.**
- 4. Students require both outdoor and indoor closed-toe footwear.**
- 5. Indoor shoes must be non-marking, white soled running shoes as they are used for gym class**

There are several opportunities to purchase mandatory school uniform items throughout the school year. A small supply of Uniform Shirts will be available through the year to purchase directly from the School Office. Uniform sale dates will be posted in the school calendar in the monthly newsletter.