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**We wish you all a very restful and safe holiday period.**

Your children have worked hard this term and we can see they are ready for a break to recharge, ready for the winter terms ahead.

On that note, we are still experiencing a large number of coughs, colds, sore throats and tummy bugs. We continue to also have illness among the staff. We work hard to try and keep things as normal as possible but occasionally we have to get a bit creative to cover classes.

I do hope these holidays will act as a circuit breaker to reset us all.

Please remember to notify us if your child is away. This saves Ivy so much time each day. You can either ring us on 3431227, complete the absentee section in our School App or email Ivy [ivy@stmarys.ac.nz](mailto:ivy@stmarys.ac.nz)

You will see a few changes in the attendance space over the coming terms. The government have just announced that getting children to school will be a priority. I will keep you updated regarding this. One of the things they are developing will be clear guidelines from Public Health for parents to assist with making a decision of when to keep sick children home and for how long.



**A quick reminder...** This year we are required to hold two staff only days for staff to attend Professional Development around our new curriculum. This is an important time for our teachers to ensure we are keeping as current as possible for your children's learning.

Please mark your diaries: **School will be closed for instruction on the 31st of May and the 29th of October for a Staff Only Day.**



Enabling school-aged learners to realise their full potential by supporting their wellbeing and nutrition.



**Breakfast...** we are starting up our breakfasts again next Term. If your child would like to have breakfast before school they are most welcome to go to the hall. We have Weet-Bix which will give their learning brains a bit of a boost. All are welcome!

Your children are in for a wonderful treat on Friday. Our **Intermediate Gala** is always such a highlight for both the children organising and the children receiving. Whānau are always welcome to join us.



Held at School

**Intermediate side**

## **Uniform Update**

We are back in **winter uniform** for Term 2 and 3.

We are very proud of our uniform and feel it plays an important role in creating a sense of unity and pride within our school community.

On the following pages I have included some reminders and the new uniform list.

Our new uniform items will be ready at Andersons Uniform Shop in the **second week of the holidays**.

Anderson's are best placed to provide correct uniform items and advice. This will be extremely important if you decide to take up the 'trousers in winter option'. We want to avoid having many different styles of black trousers so ask that you **only purchase the regulation trousers from Andersons Uniform Shop**. We will be keeping this expectation really high.

Remember you do not need to go out and get new uniform items straight away. We expect to **phase out and in over the course of five years**.

Andersons will be selling our old uniform at a discounted price and of course Ivy has a stock of second hand uniform at no cost.

Ivy is more than happy to answer any questions you may have regarding uniform items. You can ring her on 3431227 or email [ivys@stmarys.ac.nz](mailto:ivys@stmarys.ac.nz)

Ivy will be available during the first week of the holidays from 7am to 1pm.

# Uniform Reminders

We ask that students arrive and leave school in their correct school uniform.

**Long hair** - to be tied up with **black or navy ties**.  
Please keep fringes tidy and above the eyes.



**Earrings** - only plain studs or sleepers please.



**Taonga and Crosses** - may be worn but must be tucked in for safety reasons.

**Shoes** - Black lace up or Velcro shoes must be worn when arriving and leaving school.

We ask that shoes are plain, waterproof and black with no other colours or embellishments on them.



**Name it, name it name it!** We have 260 students... a black vivid marker works well!

Please keep **fancy shaved haircuts** for the holiday breaks.



**Nails** - please save nail polish for the holidays.

**Anderson's Uniform Shop** are happy to help with both new and second hand.

However, if things are a financial struggle please do come and see us. We have donated second uniform that we can help with.





**ANDERSONS Uniforms**  
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**Summer uniform**

<p><b>Girls Years 1 to 6</b></p> <p>Skort (Cullinane Tartan)</p> <p>Short Sleeve grey polo shirt</p> <p>Sun hat</p> <p><b>Girls Years 7 and 8</b></p> <p>Skirt (Cullinane Tartan)</p> <p>White short sleeve blouse</p> <p>Sun hat</p>	<p><b>Boys Years 1 to 6</b></p> <p>Short sleeve grey polo shirt</p> <p>Grey drill shorts</p> <p>Sun hat</p> <p><b>Boys Years 7 to 8</b></p> <p>Short sleeve navy polo shirt</p> <p>Grey drill shorts</p> <p>Sun hat</p>
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**Black roman sandals / Black Velcro sandals for younger students.**

**Winter uniform**

<p><b>Girls Years 1 to 6</b></p> <p>Skort (Cullinane Tartan)</p> <p>Long Sleeve royal blue polo shirt</p> <p>Navy socks or tights</p> <p><b>Girls Years 7 and 8</b></p> <p>Skirt (Cullinane Tartan) to be worn summer and winter</p> <p>White long sleeve blouse</p> <p>School Tie navy / monogrammed</p> <p>Navy socks or tights</p>	<p><b>Boys Years 1 to 6</b></p> <p>Long sleeve royal blue polo shirt</p> <p>Grey drill shorts</p> <p>Grey socks with teal/royal blue band</p> <p><b>Boys Years 7 to 8</b></p> <p>Long sleeve grey shirt</p> <p>Grey drill shorts</p> <p>School Tie navy / monogrammed</p> <p>Grey socks with teal/royal blue band</p>
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**Black covered in school shoes for all students**

**Optional for all students winter uniform**

Black regulation trousers **to be purchased from Andersons Uniform**

Black socks to be worn with trousers

<b>Summer and Winter</b>	P.E Tee	Years 1 to 8	Regulation / Monogrammed
Navy monogrammed polar fleece		Years 1-4	
Navy monogrammed Jersey	P.E. Shorts	Years 1 to 8	Navy plain

# Who to see...

If you have a query or concern regarding your child please email or see your child's Teacher first. If you still require assistance please see your child's Team Leader as follows:

## Junior Team

Team Leader Dallas Limpus: [dallasl@stmarys.ac.nz](mailto:dallasl@stmarys.ac.nz)

Students from the JLC, Room 3 and 4

JLC: [dallasl@stmarys.ac.nz](mailto:dallasl@stmarys.ac.nz)

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Room 4: [theresec@stmarys.ac.nz](mailto:theresec@stmarys.ac.nz)

## Middle Team

Team Leader Cath Daignault: [cathd@stmarys.ac.nz](mailto:cathd@stmarys.ac.nz)

Students from Rooms 5, 6, 7 and 8

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Room 6: [alexc@stmarys.ac.nz](mailto:alexc@stmarys.ac.nz)

Room 7: [tammyf@stmarys.ac.nz](mailto:tammyf@stmarys.ac.nz)

Room 8: [cathd@stmarys.ac.nz](mailto:cathd@stmarys.ac.nz)

## Senior Team

Team Leader Chris Scudder: [chriss@stmarys.ac.nz](mailto:chriss@stmarys.ac.nz)

Students from Rooms 9, 10 and 11

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Room 10: [tash@stmarys.ac.nz](mailto:tash@stmarys.ac.nz)

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If you are requiring further assistance:

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DRS: [cathd@stmarys.ac.nz](mailto:cathd@stmarys.ac.nz)

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