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## *School Uniform Policy:*

### **Introductory Statement:**

St. Marnock's N.S. School Uniform Policy was formulated through a collaborative process involving school staff in consultation with parents, pupils and the Board of Management.

### **Rationale:**

The school uniform is a fundamental part of school identity and underscores all aspects of school life. This policy strives to provide clear guidelines to the school community (parents, pupils, staff) regarding expectations about what pupils are required to wear on a daily basis attending school.

### **Aims:**

- To create a clear school identity amongst pupils and to establish a code of dress appropriate to the image the school wants to represent
- To reflect a sense of belonging to the school community and the parity of esteem in which each individual is held
- To minimise cost for parents by having a school uniform
- To reinforce a pride amongst pupils in their school, particularly when representing the school on sporting or extra-curricular activities
- To represent a visible commitment to the school rules as outlined in the Code of Behaviour of St. Marnock's NS

### **Guidelines:**

- **All pupils from Junior Infants to 6<sup>th</sup> class are required to arrive in school wearing full school uniform or tracksuit as outlined below:**

### **School Uniform:**

Grey V Necked Pullover  
Grey Skirt/Pinafore/Trousers  
White Shirt  
School Tie

**OR**

### **School Tracksuit:**

Grey Tracksuit with amber piping and amber School Crest  
Amber polo shirt with black school crest  
**Sports or branded hoodies/tracksuits are not part of our uniform and are unacceptable**

- School tracksuit and runners must always be worn on P.E. days and for school sports' events
- Our school relies on the support and co-operation of the entire school community (parents /guardians, pupils and staff) in order to implement this policy effectively. We acknowledge that there may occasionally be situations where pupils have a genuine reason for not wearing the school uniform. In such cases, parents/guardians are required to inform the school by telephone or letter.
- Any disregard for wearing the school uniform will be perceived as a contravention of school rules and will be dealt with in accordance with the procedures outlined in our Code of Behaviour.

**Roles and Responsibilities**

It is the responsibility of the Principal and staff to implement this policy under the guidance of the school's Board of Management.

**Implementation date:** December 2018

This policy will be implemented immediately following ratification by the Board of Management and communication to the Parents' Association.

**Ratified by the Board of Management:** December 2018

**Signed:** Ciarán McCormack  
Chairperson of the Board of Management

**Date:** 4<sup>th</sup> December 2018