

St. Thomas More Catholic Voluntary Academy, Palace Fields, Buxton, Derbyshire, SK17 6AF Headteacher: Mr D Redfe

16th February 2023

Dear Parent/Carers,

As we approach the end of term, we would like to remind you of the importance of your child coming to school wearing the appropriate uniform. Over the last two weeks, the Senior Leadership team have delivered assemblies to all year groups reiterating the high standards of behaviour that are expected of all students in our community, and this included addressing uniform and appearance.

Uniform plays a valuable role in contributing to the ethos of our school and setting an appropriate tone. We know our pupils are proud of their school and in representing St Thomas More in the community. Students should arrive to school, on time each morning, in the full correct St Thomas More uniform and maintain that high standard of presentation throughout the school day.

Please be mindful that the following items are **NOT** to be worn to school and do not constitute part of our school uniform.

- leggings,
- Skinny/skin-tight trousers,
- Nose/facial piercings,
- Excessive jewellery,
- Hooded tops that do not bear the school logo,
- Pencil skirts.

We will continue to monitor pupils' standards of uniform and appearance over the next half term. Therefore, please could we ask that any uniform issues that are outstanding are rectified during the upcoming break. On the return to school, our uniform policy will be applied and where inconsistencies are found, communication home will be made and the opportunity to rectify any uniform issues within a reasonable timescale will be given.

Please be advised that our uniform policy can be found on the school website at:

https://www.stthomasmorebuxton.srscmat.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/sites/15/2022/07/Uniform-and-Equipment-Policy-STM-September-2022.pdf







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Also, please be reminded that all St Thomas More uniform can be purchased from Headmasters Schoolwear in New Mills. We at St Thomas More understand that personal circumstances can change, especially due to uncertainties caused by the pandemic and cost of living crisis. We provide, along with the St Ralph Sherwin Trust, a support fund for parents and carers who might need help towards uniform costs, details of which can be found on our website:

<u>https://www.stthomasmorebuxton.srscmat.co.uk/parents/help-for-pupils-parents-and-families/education-support-fund/</u>

Should you have any concerns, please contact your child's Pastoral Manager using the following email address:

Mrs Brown (Bede): rbrown@stm.srscmat.co.uk Mrs Kawalek (Columba): jkawalek@stm.srscmat.co.uk Mrs Doherty-Perkins (Francis): ldohertyperkins@stm.srscmat.co.uk

Thank you for your continued support,

Yours sincerely,

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Mr J Ronson Assistant Headteacher



