

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

22nd March 2024

Dear Parents/Carers,

I am pleased to inform you that we have a brand-new school uniform supplier.

Classworx is a Macclesfield based company who not only have a walk-in store, but also offer home delivery on orders from their website.

Classworx have been chosen for the quality of the uniform they supply. All trousers are 'Trutex' which means they will last longer than high street / supermarket brands. The new jumper has been specifically chosen for its durability and washability, although is visibly identical to the current jumper.

All items of uniform will be available for purchase shortly, although school ties are already available to purchase. Prices are extremely competitive, are comparable to existing prices and for some items, slightly cheaper. If you order in July, you will receive an extra 10% off.

Please have a look at their website and register interest https://classworx.co.uk/school/st-thomas-more-catholic-voluntary-school/

Uniform updates

Uniform policy – We are currently updating our uniform policy. This will be shared with parents and be on the school website in the summer term. Formal uniform checks will then be carried out each half term moving forward. Pupils who do not follow the uniform expectations will face sanctions as per our behaviour policy.

Summer Uniform – The white polo shirt is no longer for sale. We understand that some parents/carers have already purchased a polo shirt for this year, so we will honour this uniform arrangement for summer 2024 only. From September onwards, the white polo shirt will cease to be uniform. When the change to summer uniform is declared, pupils may wear short sleeved white shirts if they so wish, alongside the black or maroon logo jumper. The black PE hoodies do not replace the need for pupils to wear their school jumpers and so should not be worn except for PE lessons.

On the back of a successful trial last summer, we will allow black tailored school shorts to be worn once the summer uniform is declared. **No other shorts will be permitted**. They must be worn with shoes in line with the school policy.

Skirts – I have been talking to numerous parents about skirts. Parents have commented that currently the skirts worn by their child are inappropriate in length. We have also seen an influx of tight skirts, which are not to be worn under the current uniform policy.

Therefore, from September, we have decided that just one, uniform skirt, to be purchased from our school supplier, will be worn.

The supplier has offered us 3 different choices.







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Option 1

With school logo



Black, white, red tartan

Option 3

Longer length to knee







I would welcome your feedback as we make this decision. Please email <u>STMuniform2024@stm.srscmat.co.uk</u> should you wish to give feedback on either of these 3 options.

Yours sincerely,

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