St Mary’s College
Senior School
Information Booklet
2012
Dear Parents and Students

Whether you are joining us for the first time or returning to St Mary’s, welcome to the new school year 2012. Some students may be taking that important step from Grade 6 to Grade 7; or progressing into Grades 11 or 12. Wherever you are in your school career we hope that this year will be a very successful one for you.

This booklet contains important information designed to assist you in exercising your responsibilities as students or parents in the St Mary’s community.

Throughout the College, students are encouraged to demonstrate a commitment to Gospel Values. The College Vision Values and Mission Statement provide the basis for all we do at St Mary’s.

Added to this, St Mary’s College aims to offer every opportunity for girls to develop academic abilities to their highest potential in whatever fields these abilities are demonstrated.

To achieve this there is a high level of Pastoral Care, a firm but fair discipline guideline and an expectation that there will be ongoing, quality communication and support between home and school. Education is a collaborative team effort between the student, parents and staff at the College.

With all of these things in place I know that your secondary schooling at St Mary’s College will be both productive and most enjoyable.

I wish each one of you success. We strive to go “One Pace Beyond” in all of our undertakings.

Tom Dorey
Principal
School Badge and Motto

God is the Fountain of all Knowledge
Mary is Our Mother

History

The fine sandstone convent of St Mary’s College was designed by the colonial architect Henry Hunter to sit astride a grassy rise commanding a fine view of Hobart Town. Today this handsome building with its mellow façade and dormer windows looks across the modern landscape of city and port.

The original building was in fact the first Presentation convent in Australia. Perceiving a great need in the fledgling colony for spiritual guidance, Bishop Daniel Murphy arranged for the Mother Superior of the Presentation Order (who happened to be his own sister), to travel from Ireland to far-off Hobart Town bringing Nano Nagle’s mission to the poor, the needy and the uneducated. In 1866, the Bishop laid the foundation stone of the convent while he awaited the arrival of the intrepid little band of Sisters.

After a short stay at Richmond, Mother Murphy and her Sisters were in residence at St Mary’s by 1868, and amid great excitement in the town, on 3rd February 1868, the little school of Mount St Mary’s received its first pupils. From this small, hopeful beginning grew St Mary’s College as we know it today. A respected and flourishing educational institution, it has nurtured the spiritual, cultural, academic and sporting lives of many thousands of students in three different centuries.
Staff

Principal                  Mr Tom Dorey  
Deputy Principal          Mrs Jacqueline Conboy  
Head of Faith & Mission   Mrs Margaret Rootes  
Head of Teaching & Learning Ms Wendy Forsyth  
Business Manager          Mr Stuart Calvert  
Counsellor                Mrs Andrea Maver  

Grade Co-Ordinators

Grade 7                    Mrs Cathie Owens  
Grade 8                    Mr Clinton Jordan  
Grade 9                    Miss Lucy Harrison  
Grade 10                   Ms Sue McLean  
Grades 11/12               Mrs Debbie Claridge  

Heads of Department

Creative Arts and Design   Mr Scott Weston  
English & LOTE            Mrs Gianna Staples  
Information Technology    Ms Gaby Stuebing  
Mathematics                Mr Adrian Sullivan  
Physical Education & Health Mrs Frances Mann  
Science                   Mrs Heather Omant  
Study of Societies & Environment Mrs Amanda Farrow  
VEL Manager               Mrs Julie Gartrell  

Offices

The Business Office is located on the ground floor facing the Junior School playgrounds. Access is via the Brisbane Street entrance.

The Principal’s Office, including enrolments, is located at the front of the Convent Building facing Harrington Street. Access is via the entrance closest to the fountain.

First Day

Feb 9th - Grade 7, 11 & 12 and new senior students along with Kinder Koalas (Group A)

Feb 10th - All primary and senior students will commence at 8.25am and should wear full school uniform.
Term Dates for 2012

9\textsuperscript{th} February  All grades 7, 10 & 11 students, new senior school students and Kinder Koalas Group A (8.50am – 12.30pm)

10\textsuperscript{th} February  All students plus Kinder Koalas group B (8.50am -12.30pm)

6\textsuperscript{th} April  Easter holiday begins

15\textsuperscript{th} April  Return after Easter break

23\textsuperscript{rd} May  End of Term 1

18\textsuperscript{th} June  Start of Term 2

7\textsuperscript{th} September  End of Term 2

24\textsuperscript{th} September  Start of Term 3

19\textsuperscript{th} December  End of Term 3

Daily Timetable

Each day is divided into six lessons, with Grades 11 and 12 operating on a 5 day timetable, and Grades 7 to 10 operating on a non-rotating 10 day cycle. All students are expected to be in their Home Rooms ready to start the day at 8.25am. The school day finishes at 3.20pm for Grades 7-9 and at 3.10pm for Grades 10-12.

Grade and House Organisation

When a student is enrolled at St Mary’s College, she is allocated to a Home Room and a House. The four Houses used for sporting competitions are:

- College  Red
- Manresa  Blue
- Nagle  Green
- Presentation  Yellow

Students are organised into Home Rooms from Grade 7 to Grade 12. The Home Room teachers assigned to classes are responsible for the day to day running of the group and for the ongoing Pastoral Care of each student. The Grade Coordinator is responsible for all the students in one year with regard to discipline, pastoral care and curriculum matters. Students in Grades 11 and 12 are combined and then divided into 4 separate Home Room groups.
School Expectations

Student Code of Conduct

The student Code of Conduct for St Mary’s College is but one aspect of the overall Pastoral Care of our students, which has at its heart that the College exists for the good of all its students.

The code is reconciliatory by nature. It recognises individual needs, and places any dealings with students in the context of developing the whole person to take her place in the community to which she belongs. As members of a Catholic School community, we believe that our actions must reflect the values we espouse.

The Code of Conduct at St Mary’s is based on mutual respect for all in the school community, and the recognition that we all have the right to a stable and supportive environment in which to learn. Students are accountable for their own actions and responsible for their behaviour at all times.

Although students are always encouraged to behave appropriately, there will be times when this does not happen. The choice of response by the teacher will depend on the severity of the misdemeanour, and procedures that have been developed in an attempt to ensure justice and equity in our dealings with students.

Teachers have the right to teach and students have the right to learn, therefore all students are responsible for cooperating with teachers and fellow students, both in and out of the classroom. Classes will be given the opportunity, at the beginning of the year, to draw up their charter of right and responsibilities with their teachers.

Students should follow instructions willingly and promptly; be on time and prepared for work; speak politely and listen when someone else is speaking; and let others work undisturbed.

After arriving at school in the morning, students may not leave the school grounds until the end of the day. Any variation on this requires written permission from parents and approval from a teacher. Students should wear their uniform with pride.

Punctuality

- Students are expected to be at school by 8:25 am each day in order to start the day at 8:30am.
- Students who arrive after 8:30 am must go to the Business Office and have their diary stamped. This message must then be signed by the teacher of the lesson in progress.
- Students are expected to be on time for every lesson, meeting or commitment (including sporting/musical/cultural fixtures and training/practice sessions).

Absentee Procedure

- Parents must notify the Business Office by 9.30am if their child is absent for the day.
- If a student is absent without notification, an SMS message will be sent to parents at approximately 11am. Parents are required to respond to this message.
- Parents are required to record a note in their daughter’s diary to explain an absence, or alternatively, email their Home Room teacher.
- If a student is going to be away for a prolonged period of time, a note or email to the Home Room teacher and/or Grade Coordinator is required.
Illness

- Students who become ill at school should tell their teacher if in class or their Home Room teacher or Grade Coordinator during a break. They may be sent to the Business Office with a signed note from the teacher and their parents will be contacted and arrangements made for them to go home. Students are required to sign out before leaving the College.

Only medication supplied from home will be administered and not without advanced written parental permission and clear instructions.

Appointments

- It is expected that appointments be made outside school hours when possible.
- Students who need to attend an appointment during the school day must bring a signed note in the school diary from a parent.
- This note must be signed by the Home Room teacher in the morning, and then shown to subject teacher if leaving during class time.
- Students are required to show the signed note at the Business Office and sign out before they leave the College. They are also required to sign back in on their return to school.
- Students who arrive late to school as the result of an appointment must follow the normal late to school procedure.

Please Note: Students are asked not to call parents to make arrangements to go home. This must be done through the Business Office. Likewise, parents are asked to phone the College if they need to make special arrangements to collect students during the course of the school day.

Student Motor Vehicles

Students who wish to drive to and from school may do so if written permission from a parent is given to the Grade 11/12 Coordinator.

Whilst St Mary’s understands that students may wish to drive their own vehicles to and from school, it is expected that students use the transport provided for travel to school activities during the day. If an exception is made and a student is given permission to drive herself to or from an excursion, she may not take any passengers with her.

Vehicles may not be parked in the College or Cathedral grounds at any time. The College accepts no responsibility for the safety of cars and will not allow students to leave the College during school time to attend to their vehicles.

Study Lines

Students in Grades 11 and 12 may have a study-line timetabled during the day. It is the expectation of the College that all students are present at school during these lessons to make effective use of their study time. In 2nd and 3rd terms, Grade 12 students may apply for permission to leave the College at lunchtime in order to study at home or in the State Library on days where they have a study-line in the afternoon.
**School Expectations/Obligations**

Once a student has made a commitment to be in, for example, a sporting team, a music group, a charity group or to be a class captain, she has an obligation and it should be fulfilled to the best of her ability. It is an expectation that all trainings, practices, meetings etc. be attended as required by the coach/leader of the team/group. All school-based commitments should take priority over outside activities.

**Mobile Phones and Electronic Devices**

Students who bring mobile phones to school should have them turned off and securely locked away in their lockers. MP3 players, iPods and other personal electronic devices are only permitted with the permission of a teacher for educational purposes. In Grade 11/12 they are permitted for study, but are not to be used during class time or during school activities without the permission of a teacher. The College takes no responsibility for any mobile phones or electronic devices.

**Activities**

A number of special days are run throughout the year. These include Activities Days, Retreats, Social Days with other schools and Sports Carnivals. These days are an integral part of the College program and all students are expected to attend each of them.

**Care of Property**

All students are provided with a locker and a lock for it. The College lock is the only one that will be accepted. Lockers should be kept locked at all times. Girls are responsible for looking after their own property and all belongings should be clearly marked. Although students are permitted to bring their own laptops to school it is strongly recommended that students do not bring other valuable items and the College will not be held responsible for loss or damage of student property.

**College Environment**

All girls are expected to help maintain a clean environment by not eating in classrooms and computer rooms and not dropping litter. Vandalism to College property is a serious offence and will be rigorously dealt with.

**Quiet Time**

Quiet Time takes place after lunch at the beginning of period 5. All students are expected to participate in Quiet Time. The aim of this time is to give staff and students the opportunity to sit still and in silence, with the hope of meditation. It begins and ends with a short prayer. Students will be instructed as to how to make this time meaningful.
**Communication**

1. The Home Room Teacher is the first point of contact for information or help about school procedures, or any concerns about your daughter.

2. The school diary is a vital part of life at St Mary’s and an important method of communication between home and school. Parents are encouraged to check their daughter’s diary regularly and to sign in the space provided on a weekly basis. Any notes to staff may be written on the left hand page, which teachers also may use to communicate with parents when necessary. Please sign any messages to show that you have read them.

3. The Diary is an official document and should not be used as a personal diary. Any student who misuses her diary will be asked to replace it.

4. **Newsletter**
   The College newsletter, *the fountain*, is published fortnightly and sent home each Thursday with the youngest student in the family. It is very important that parents and students read the newsletter as it contains vital information about the running of the school. The newsletter is also available online at [www.smc.tas.edu.au](http://www.smc.tas.edu.au), click on News then follow prompts.

5. **Contact Details**
   It is vital that we are able to contact parents quickly in an emergency so please update your information by letting the Business office know as soon as you change any of the following:
   1. Phone Numbers
   2. Place of Employment
   3. Home Address

**Daily Procedures**

School rules or guidelines are developed to contribute to:

- The orderly management of the School
- The protection of the rights of the individual
- The development of self-discipline

Given the Gospel precept to love God and love one's neighbour as oneself, it is expected that pupils of St Mary’s College will respect themselves and other people. Therefore they are encouraged to always show others a spirit of true Christian courtesy, care and concern. Students and parents are required to respect these guidelines and procedures, as they respect the staff responsible for their implementation. All students are to be accountable to each member of staff (Junior, Senior and non-teaching) and to the School Leaders.
**School Uniform**

At St Mary’s College, the wearing of the correct uniform is very important. The uniform, worn correctly, reflects the spirit and image of the school community. All items of uniform and personal equipment must be clearly named.

Students **must** wear a blue school bucket hat when outside at lunch during Terms I and III, from Show Day to Anzac Day, as part of our Sun Smart Guidelines. Detailed information about the uniform is given in the Uniform Booklet, but some particular expectations and rules are pinpointed here:

- Hair should be off the face and tied back if it grows below the collar. Hair should be of a natural colour with no fashion extremes.
- Hair ribbons/scrunchies may be pale blue, dark green or brown. Scarves may be bottle green, dark brown or pale blue.
- Sports uniform may only be worn to school when the class has its PE lesson, or by students with a Sports Pass issued by Grade Coordinators. Otherwise, unless it is a designated Sports Day or special fund raising day, students should be in full formal uniform. Students who ignore this ruling risk being sent home. If sports uniform is necessary for a medical reason, a doctor’s certificate is required.
- No make – up is to be worn, and only clear nail varnish.
- The only acceptable jewellery for school wear is a watch and one pair of small plain stud (max 5mm), or small plain sleeper earrings worn parallel in the ear lobes.
- Only the brown school bag is allowed with formal uniform. The sports bag may be used in addition.
- The school jumper may be worn under the blazer as long as it is not visible below the hem of the blazer.
- The blazer must be worn as part of the uniform outside the College and in school for Assemblies and Masses.

**Uniform Shop**

The Uniform Shop, near Brisbane Street Gate, stocks all items of uniform except for shoes.

The usual opening times are:

- Tuesday: 8.30am - 1.30pm
- Thursday: 12 noon - 4.00pm

Second-hand uniform items are sold in the Uniform Shop.

The Uniform Shop will also be open: (Extra Opening Hours 2012)

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Text Books

The sale of textbooks is handled by Birchalls at the beginning of the school year. In 2012 book sales will take place at the Royal Hobart Showgrounds, Grandstand Hall (under the Grandstand) entrance off Howard Road (parking on site) on these days:

- Monday 9th January to Saturday 11th February (5 weeks)
- Monday to Friday 10am - 4pm
- Saturday 10am - 2pm.
- Late night trade 6.00pm - 9.00pm, on Thursday 19th January, Wednesday 25th January & Thursday 2nd February; please note that they will be closed between 4 – 6 pm on these Thursdays.
- Closed public holidays

Notification of Absence or Late Arrival

Parents are asked to notify the school as early as possible if their daughter is absent or will be late to school, and they have the option of communicating that information by phone or SMS text message. The details of parents’ mobile phone numbers will be collected with other information and a phone number per parent should be nominated to receive any return messages from the school.

Notification by Phone
1. Contact school by 9.30am on 6108 2560.
2. Give student’s name, Home Room, reason for absence or lateness, and length of absence if known.
3. Parents will be contacted if the student is absent without notification.

Notification by SMS
1. Contact school by 9.30am on 0404 682 435 with a text message.
2. Give student’s name, Home Room, reason for absence or lateness, and length of absence if known.
3. Automatically generated message sent to nominated mobile number if student absent or late without notification.

Arriving Late to School
1. If a student is not in their home room by 8.30am she must report to the Business Office.
2. Office staff stamp the student’s diary and enter details onto a database on a computer (date and name).
3. Student moves promptly to class.
4. Late Stamp is shown to the subject teacher who signs diary.
5. A late note will be printed for students without a diary. This is then given to the teacher by the student.
6. Grade Coordinators will check regularly for repeated lateness and keep parents advised.
Leaving School During the Day

1. Students may not leave the College grounds between arriving in the morning and finishing their school commitments in the afternoon.
2. Students who need to leave during the day for important appointments must present an explanatory letter or note in their College diary written and signed by their parent/guardian.
3. The note should be counter-signed by the Home Room teacher.
4. When leaving, the student fills in the details in the Leave Book (located in the Business office) having shown the note to the relevant subject teacher and the office staff.
5. If she returns to school later in the day, the student must go to the Business Office on arrival where her time of return will be noted in the Leave Book.
6. Any note on paper must be handed in to the office on departure.

Student Access to Town

1. Students are expected to come straight from home to school in the morning wearing their school uniform and to go straight home after school in their uniform.
2. Students needing to spend time in the city after school must have a note in their school diary detailing the times and signed by a parent/guardian, and must be shown to their Home Room teacher.

Canteen

The Canteen opens daily at both recess and lunch time. Lunch orders must be submitted daily by the end of recess, and should contain the correct money.

Student Resource Centre

Students are encouraged to use our new Resource Centre. It is open from 8.00am until 4.00pm and only shut at Recess from 10.40am until 11.00am. All girls will be issued with a Library/College ID card which will be required every time a book is borrowed.

Telephone

Urgent calls to let parents know of changed arrangements, such as cancelled matches, may be made by students from the Business Office.

Retreat Programs

As part of the Religion program and the faith life of each student, every class from Grade 6 to 12 participates in an annual Reflection Day. The Reflection Day is an opportunity for students and teachers to nourish their personal spirituality in a day away from the school environment.
**Reporting and Assessment**

Students’ work is assessed throughout the year. Each learning area is assessed according to set criteria, incorporating individual and group tasks. Reporting is directed to parents, giving an indication of both effort and progress. A progress report is issued towards the end of Term 1 when parents are invited to attend a Family-Teacher Conference.

A major written report is sent home in the middle of Term 2, and there follows another opportunity for parents and students to meet with teachers. At the conclusion of the year, each student receives a certificate with a final award for each learning area, based on the work covered during the academic year. Parents are encouraged to make contact with teaching staff at any time to discuss their daughter’s progress.

**Out of Uniform**

1. Any student who is not wearing the complete uniform risks being sent home, as all girls are expected to wear the formal uniform every day.

2. Students must not wear school tracksuits in place of their normal uniform. These are only for PE lessons or for special days where tracksuits are permitted, for example on the Sports Days.

3. A Sports Pass, allowing the sports uniform to be worn to school, is only issued to students who have more than one sports commitment on the same day. Students must apply individually to their Grade Coordinator for this.

**Co-Curricular Activities**

1. **General**
   Each student is encouraged to participate in a variety of cultural and sporting activities offered by our College. Written commitment by both the student and her parents/guardians is required before the chosen activity begins.

2. **Activity Days**
   Activity Days for Grades 7, 8, 9 and 10 are an important part of the school curriculum, and costs are included in the levy school fees.

3. **Excursions**
   Levies are included in the school fees to cover the cost of anticipated excursions, major school sporting or cultural events and most subject competitions.

Parental permission for excursions (or for leaving school grounds during the day) is always required.
Homework

Homework is an integral part of the learning process. Set tasks may vary from finishing off class work, consolidation or extension exercises, to on-going research. Parents are encouraged to support their daughter, offering both encouragement and assistance with homework when required.

All tasks and due dates must be recorded in the student diary. Homework activities help students to develop the kind of study habits that are essential for intellectual growth and academic achievement. Homework tasks should be completed with the same attention to detail as in-class activities. If a teacher does not set specific homework, there is an expectation that the student will spend time reviewing class work and preparing for the next lesson.

The expected homework requirement each evening is as follows:

- Grade 7: 1 hour
- Grade 8: 1-1 1/2 hours
- Grade 9: 1 1/2 - 2 hours
- Grade 10: 1 1/2 - 2 hours
- Grades 11 and 12: As required. Minimum 2 hours per night.

For the full homework Guidelines, see the College website.

Procedures Inside and Outside the Classroom

Although students are always encouraged to behave appropriately, there will be times when this does not occur. The following procedures have been developed in an attempt to ensure justice and equity in our dealings with students.

Drug Guideline

St Mary’s College has in place structures and processes for dealing with drug related issues that are consistent with the Church’s pastoral mission and nationally accepted protocol, and with the principles of harm minimisation. Structures and processes are designed to ensure:

- An emphasis on prevention through education, information and safe, supportive school environments.
- Intervention through appropriate guidelines and procedures for dealing with incidents involving the possession, use and/or distribution of illicit and other unsanctioned drugs (alcohol, tobacco and prescription drugs).
- Appropriate support for students directly or indirectly involved in drug-related incidents.

All students should be aware that the possession, use/or distribution of illicit and other unsanctioned drugs and drug paraphernalia is prohibited. All illicit drug related incidents in the College, and close to the College, must be reported to Tasmania Police.
Alcohol and Tobacco

Students, regardless of age, are not permitted to be on school premises under the influence of alcohol, or to possess or drink alcohol at school or at school-related activities, such as excursions, camps, socials or functions. Similar restrictions apply to the use of tobacco.

Medication

No analgesics will be given at school without parental consent.
Where a chronic condition requires ongoing medication which needs to be administered in school, the family doctor must provide the College with directions in writing.
For the full drugs guidelines, see the College website.

Bullying and Harassment

St Mary’s College does not tolerate bullying/harassment in any form. All members of the community are committed to ensuring a safe and caring school environment, which promotes personal growth and positive self-esteem for all. The full Bullying and Harassment Guidelines can be found on the College website. (Parents new to the College will receive a copy of the Guidelines in their Orientation pack). Their signature is required before classes commence, to indicate their agreement of this Guideline.

Email Guidelines

St Mary’s College computer network provides access to network directories, Internet and Email for the use of students. All students who use these facilities have a responsibility to be familiar with this guideline and abide by its regulations.

1. Network, Internet and Email access from the College is to be used for educational purposes.

2. Students are expected to exercise responsible behavior when using Network, Internet and Email resources, in accordance with the accepted standards of behavior within the College. Users are held responsible for their own actions when using Network, Internet and Email resources.

3. Unacceptable use of Network, Internet and Email resources is a serious matter and will be treated in the same way as other breaches of College Rules.

4. Students are expected to use the facilities ethically and lawfully by:
   • respecting the laws of copyright and acknowledging the source of all material used
   • accessing only authorised networks, computers and databases
   • respecting the privacy of others
   • using only authorised copies of commercial software
5. Students are expected to use the facilities **appropriately** by:
   - using appropriate language (not abusive or offensive or untruthful or inaccurate) in any communications sent or received
   - not using the Internet for the transmission of unwanted advertising or for accessing material which is harmful, abusive, unlawful, objectionable or not in accordance with the principles embraced by St Mary’s College.
   - not using the network for financial or commercial gain
   - taking care to use computer resources and paper efficiently

6. Students are expected to use the facilities **cooperatively** by:
   - allowing other students fair access to the equipment
   - making use of printers sensibly and only when needed
   - not altering computer configurations
   - not downloading files as this could introduce viruses and infringe copyright

7. Students are expected to use the facilities **safely** by:
   - taking care not to divulge private personal information such as names, addresses, and telephone numbers while using the Internet or Email.
   - not participating in Chat sessions

8. All messages on the College's system will be treated as education or business related messages, which may be monitored. Accordingly, you should not expect that any information or document transmitted or stored on the College’s computer network will be private.

9. You should also be aware that the College is able to monitor your use of the Internet, both during school or working hours and outside of those hours. This includes the sites and content that you visit and the length of time you spend using the Internet.

10. Email content that may seem harmless to you may in fact be highly offensive to someone else. You should be aware, therefore, that in determining whether an email falls within any of the categories listed above, or is generally inappropriate. The College will consider the response and sensitivities of the recipient of an email rather than the intention of the sender. If you receive inappropriate material by email, you should not reply to it; delete it immediately and do not forward it to anyone else.

11. Students are permitted to bring their own laptops to school and connect them to a secure part of the network for internet access. All student laptops must have up to date antivirus software installed.
**Sport Guideline**

**Sport** is the term used to describe sporting activities which are organised by the College on behalf of the College. **Physical Education** is the term used to describe activities which are part of the curriculum and conducted within school hours. At St Mary’s College **participation** in sporting activities is encouraged. All students will be given the opportunity to participate in the sports of their choice. All students will be encouraged to enjoy their sport and to strive for personal excellence.

1. Recognition is given on a regular basis to students who have been successful in terms of individual performance. It is felt that recognition for effort will result in an improved level of student motivation to succeed. It is important, however, that this recognition is seen to be achievable by all students who are prepared to work hard – not just the naturally talented.

2. Being a member of a team must be seen as important and worthwhile. In order to encourage students to participate in teams, there must be some degree of external motivation.

3. St Mary’s College encourages the involvement of the staff and parents in sport.

4. For students of St Mary’s College it is understood that school sport takes precedence over other sporting commitments. It is hoped through this guideline students will be encouraged and proud to represent the College in their chosen sports.

**Dress Code for SMC Sporting Teams**

All students are required to wear SMC trackpants or shorts with polo shirt and rugby top and SMC bucket hat for PE lessons. **Senior School** students may only wear their PE uniform to and from the College on PE days or with a Sports Pass. School leggings may only be worn during PE or training.

All sports teams will wear the St Mary’s College trackpants and rugby top to events. Each sport has a distinctive uniform for matches which is registered with SATIS and cannot be changed. The penalty for a student not being in correct uniform is disqualification from the match or event.

**Athletics/Cross Country** – SMC Athletic top, green bicycle shorts/green track pants (w/piping, no zips), sport socks.

**Swimming/Water sport** – SMC bathers and cap.

**Rowing** – Athletics top, bicycle shorts/zoot suit.

Specific requirements for all other team sports will be notified before each season. Competitors, coaches, managers and supporters should always conduct themselves in a manner acceptable to the College and the SATIS Code of Ethics.