



# ST MARY'S CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL

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Dear Student / Parent / Carer,

I do hope this letter finds you and your family safe and well.

Before the new school term in September begins we would like to see all students who are hoping to enrol in the Sixth Form. For this to run smoothly, it is essential that you do the following:

**On Results Day  
Thursday 12 August**

- Come into school to **collect your teacher assessed grades from 9.00 am**, and whilst in school
- **Make an appointment** for enrolment later that morning (11.00 am onwards) **OR**
- **Attend a drop-in** slot for enrolment straight after collecting your grades (until 11.00am)

Please read the following carefully:

### Enrolment into Sixth Form

Students have worked hard to produce evidence of their ability in their subjects. A student's TAGs will give a good indication of whether they can be successful on their chosen programme of study and as part of the enrolment process we have a final check of the programme choice to ensure it is the most suitable pathway for each student.

There may be a few of you who are considering changing your initial choices. It is important to remember that the timetable and option structure has been designed around your 'final choices' in the spring. Having said that, it may be possible to make minor adjustments on enrolment day. Students who have completed transition work and been in communication with the relevant departments (see below) will take priority in this regard.

### Bridging Work

GCSE staff will provide students with **bridging work** up to 25 June. We would encourage all students to complete this to keep in good study habits, in particular in the subjects they are intending to take for A Level.

### Transition: June 25 onwards

On 25<sup>th</sup> June students and parents will be invited to attend a **Virtual Transition Day**. As part of this day, departmental staff will add **transition work** to the school website (**Year 11 Transition** section of the **Sixth Form** area of our website). Departments will be in touch via email to offer further advice about how to prepare for A Level study in their subjects. **It is very important that students engage with this work prior to joining us in September.**

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In addition to subject specific materials, students will be able to access reassuring videos from key staff in Sixth Form, and from our Head Boy and Girl. There will also be a series of videos from [netsixthform](http://netsixthform) with useful advice for how to make a successful transition to sixth form life.

Parents will be invited to our **Sixth Form Information Evening** towards the end of September.

### **Uniform**

With regards to purchasing the school uniform in readiness for September, Monkhouse our uniform supplier will be launching a new website on May 20<sup>th</sup> which will make ordering and sizing for parents much easier. Their website is : [www.monkhouse.com](http://www.monkhouse.com).

Students are encouraged to begin purchasing the items they will need as soon as possible. See below for full **uniform requirements**.

The Sixth Form tie (£8.00) and Sixth Form planner (£5.00) are **essential** and are available only from reception. These can be purchased on enrolment day (cash only please).

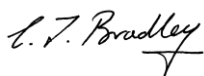
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Please follow @VIVASTMARYS on Twitter and keep checking our website for updates.

Please note the current plans are subject to change.

We look forward to seeing you on Enrolment Day!

Yours faithfully



Mr C Bradley  
Assistant Headteacher -  
Sixth Form



Mrs E Smith  
Head of Sixth Form  
(from September 2021)



Miss L Hood  
Head of KS4 (Acting)



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**UNIFORM** School suppliers: [www.monkhouse.com](http://www.monkhouse.com) Words and phrases in italics indicate areas where students will have to accept staff judgement.

ALL	ITEM	NOTES
Shirt	Plain, white school shirt (long or short sleeve).	Must be tucked in.
Tie	Sixth Form Tie.	Must be fully up to the neck with shirt top button fastened.
Badges	Responsibility group or charity badges only.	
Shoes	Plain black shoes. Flat or with a small heel.	No suede or canvas shoes. No open toed sandals or sling back shoes. No extremely thick sole. No logos. <i>Sharply pointed heels</i> not allowed. <i>Big heels</i> (inside measurement over 3cm) not allowed.
Make-up	<i>Subtle</i> make up allowed. <i>Natural</i> nail coloured varnish only	
Hair	Subtly enhanced natural colour accepted but significant colour changes not allowed. Religious headwear may be worn. Must be a plain, Navy Blue in keeping with school Uniform.	Any student with hair types 3a-4c may wear their hair in an appropriate protective hairstyle.
Bags	Predominantly blue or black.	<i>Bright or over-patterned</i> school bags not allowed.
Mobile phones	Not permitted for these to be seen in main school areas.	Allowed in exclusively sixth form areas. Must be switched off in lessons and around school.
PE Kit	Monkhouse polo shirt, navy blue shorts. Monkhouse navy blue leggings ( <i>optional and worn at teacher's discretion as an undergarment in winter months</i> ). Monkhouse Navy Blue outdoor games Jersey. Navy blue football socks for hockey/football etc. White ankle socks for netball/athletics etc. Suitable outdoor trainers for the courts and all weather pitch (not moulded). Clean, non-marking trainers for the sports hall.  <b>Pupils attend school in PE kit, navy joggers, not shorts, blazer and trainers (no Converse, Vans, high tops etc.), on the day of their PE lesson.</b>	Any other kit appropriate to the activity i.e. shin pads, gum shield.  PLEASE NOTE THAT CURRENT ST MARY'S KIT CAN BE USED IN SIXTH FORM BUT MUST NOT HAVE LOGOS ON OTHER THAN THE SCHOOL BADGE.
FEMALE	ITEM	NOTES
Skirt	Navy blue, knee length, box pleat skirt.	
Tights	Navy or flesh coloured.	From 1 May until October half term girls may choose not to wear tights and can wear white ankle socks instead.
MALE	ITEMS	NOTES
Trousers	<i>Smart</i> , formal black or dark grey school trousers.	No canvas, denim or corduroy. No tight or low skinny trousers.
Socks	Plain grey, navy or black.	

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