

CONTEXT

Thomas More College is a school with over 40 years of tradition and presence in the northern suburbs of Adelaide. It has a culture which requires all members of the school community to present themselves in a way which reflects the values and standards of the school. Necessarily, uniform places restriction on personal choice and requires consistency in presentation of all students.

PRINCIPLES

Uniform and student presentation at Thomas More will be of a standard that brings pride and credit upon the school and be congruent with the high regard with which the school is held in the local community. As such at all times, students are ambassadors of the school and are expected to wear the uniform in a way that presents a positive face of Thomas More College. As such students will need to avoid extreme trends and fashions, particularly with regard to hair, personal appearance and deportment.

PROCEDURE

All College uniform items are available only through the College uniform shop (except shoes). Uniform shop hours: Thursday morning: 8.00am – 10.00am and Friday afternoon: 2.00pm – 4.00pm and first Saturday of each month: 10.00am – 12.00pm.

Other times or changes to the opening times will be advised in the College newsletter

In wearing the College uniform, a student represents the whole College community. Behaviour while in uniform therefore reflects others - past and present students. The uniform is to be worn correctly and with pride. Behaviour is to be such that the whole College community can be proud of the way it is represented.

SUMMER UNIFORM (Term 1 & 4)

Girls

- 1. College green and gold check dress worn at or below the knee. Alternatively, College grey trousers with white shirt, open neck, and College white cross logo.
- 2. Plain white, ribbed, knee-high socks
- 3. College green jumper

Boys

- 1. Short sleeve, white shirt with open neck and College logo
- 2. College Surrey shorts or College Surrey trousers
- 3. Plain black/grey marle socks with trousers or grey marle socks with shorts
- 4. College green jumper

WINTER UNIFORM (Term 2 & 3)

Girls

- 1. Long sleeve, white shirt with College logo
- 2. College green check skirt worn at or below the knee. Alternatively, College grey trousers, white shirt with College white cross logo.
- 3. College plain black knee-high College socks or black full-length tights (70 Denier or more)
- 4. College green jumper (optional item)
- 5. College Green & Gold striped tie
- 6. College Blazer: Years 7 12

Boys

- 1. Long sleeve, white shirt with College logo
- 2. College Surrey trousers
- 3. College plain black/grey socks
- 4. College green jumper (optional item)
- 5. College Green & Gold striped tie
- 6. College Blazer: Years 7 12

All students in Years 7 - 12 are required to wear the College blazer to and from the College with the winter uniform. (Official Year 12 jumper may be worn in place of the blazer to and from the College when available). All students in Years 7-12 are also required to wear the blazer to assemblies, masses and at other times when requested by the College e.g. excursions.

PHYSICAL EDUCATION UNIFORM:

Years 7-12

- 1. Thomas More College charcoal shorts with white piping or Thomas More College charcoal tracksuit pants with white piping, with TMC icon logo in white with red underline
- 2. Thomas More College green polo top
- 3. Thomas More College green jacket, with white piping, and red internal collar, with College white cross logo
- 4. Thomas More College black or white sport socks with TMC icon logo in green or white sport socks
- 5. Thomas More College green hat with TMC icon logo in white with red underline
- 6. 6. Sandshoes

Years 7 – 9: Students may wear their Physical Education uniform to and from the College on the days they have Physical Education

Year 10 - 12: Students may wear the Physical Education uniform to and from the College on the day they have a double lesson of Physical Education. For single lessons students are to bring sandshoes if they are participating in a practical lesson.

The Physical Education uniform is not an alternative uniform to wear when something is wrong with the normal uniform.

OTHER UNIFORM ITEMS

- 1. Black leather low cut, low sole and low heel school shoes. In various specialist areas, for safety reasons, no sports shoes are accepted. (compulsory)
- 2. Thomas More College bag (compulsory)
- 3. College green or plain black scarf (optional in Terms 2 and 3)
- 4. College green or plain black gloves (fingerless gloves not permitted)

Item	Guidelines	Some examples of items that contradict the College's uniform policy
Hair	In some situations safety and hygiene constraints require hair to be tied back Neat & tidy Off the face Natural in tone Discreet highlights Hair ties / bands – College green or black Male students should be clean shaven	Rats tails, mullets, long fringes covering eyes, shaved hair shorter than number '2' cut Shaved sections, dreadlocks, unkempt hair, extreme hairstyles as determined by the College 'Un-natural' colours, extreme/contrasting colours Hair extensions and braided hair are not permitted unless prior approval is obtained from the Principal
Earrings	Two earrings in one or both EAR LOBES ONLY Students may wear sleepers no larger than a 5 cent piece in diameter or studs no larger than 5mm Helix piercings if covered by hair	Large hoops, drop earrings or decorative jewellery and stretches
Other piercings	Not permitted	Clear studs, stoppers or band aids covering piercings
Bracelets	One simple gold or silver bracelet/bangle - no larger than 5mm in diameter.	Leather bands, promotional / plastic bands, material ties, elastic ties
Rings	One simple gold or silver ring on each hand	Large rings, decorative rings
Necklaces	Simple thin gold or silver chain Small religious pendant worn under shirt or dress	Decorative jewellery i.e. surf wear, leather cords, chunky chains, chokers or straps, large crosses/pendants
Make up	Natural tones only	Coloured eye shadow, mascara, eye liner, blush or lipstick
Fingernails	Short, well groomed	Coloured varnish, nail decals / treatments
Belts	Plain black	Large buckles, studs or adornments
College bag / Diary	Must be kept in good order	Graffiti, scribbling, collages, photos, graphics, information not relevant to the College and student learning

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