



Pupil Code of Conduct: Boarder

This policy is the responsibility of the Head of Boarding.

Last reviewed: September 24

Next Review: September 25

Our School's remarkable foundress, Mary Ward (1585 - 1645), dedicated her life to providing educational opportunities for girls and attempting to open new opportunities for women who had a religious vocation within the Catholic church. She is a wonderful role model to our School community: a woman of integrity, discernment, courage, and love. There is much in her way of life that is still at the heart of all that we stand for today in the School community: mutual trust, honesty, respect for others and the environment, service, and care for others.

Our code of conduct is designed to promote harmony as well as a collaborative and effective learning community. All pupils of the School are expected to act with responsibility, courtesy, and consideration. Our Mary Ward characteristics provide our girls with a moral and spiritual framework, and we base our code of conduct on her vision.

Kindness and Respect

Mary Ward Values: Respecting self, supporting each other Promoting truth, justice, freedom, and sincerity

Be helpful, kind, tolerant and respectful towards everyone in the St Mary's community and visitors to Boarding
Adhere to school rules, policies for pupils and UK laws at all times acting with honesty and integrity
Behave calmly and sensibly when moving around the boarding house and when not directly supervised by Boarding staff
Take pride in their appearance: shower and wash hair regularly, clean teeth twice daily, wear uniform correctly and smartly
Take responsibility for their own safety and that of others to the best of their ability and in line with their age and maturity

Behave with courtesy and in a polite and sensible manner which reflects well on each individual and the School
Talk to an adult when feeling worried, anxious, or upset
Participate in weekend and after school Boarding social activities with a positive mindset

Awareness of others

Mary Ward Values: Working to eliminate injustice,

Avoid behaviour or comments which are intimidating, discriminatory, threatening or bullying
Educate boarders at the Monday meeting about local and global issues of injustice
Promote and support the work of charities within Boarding
Remember that Boarding is an extension of school and therefore close physical relationships between pupils are not permitted

Environment

Mary Ward Values: Seeing good in all creation, Supporting each other

Respect and take care of the Boarding environment, including accommodation, the garden and school property
Respect and take care of everyone's individual property and do not borrow it without permission
Identify the positive attributes in every member of the St Mary's Boarding community
Offer academic support to peers
Encourage and support each other at school events e.g. Young Pianist of the Year, productions, concerts

Always let a member of the Boarding staff know if a boarder needs support

Learning

Mary Ward Values: Encouraging hard work and excellence

Behave in a way that enables boarders to study: e.g. be aware others may be trying to study, no running around corridors, playing loud music
Take responsibility for recording and completing homework and coursework on time
As a minimum: Y5-9 attend Prep after school Monday-Friday Y10-11 work Monday-Thursday 7pm-9pm Sixth Form work as and when desired but it is not recommended to do so after 11pm