

# ST MARY'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

## DRINKING WATER POLICY



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## **ST MARY'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL DRINKING WATER IN SCHOOL POLICY**

This policy outlines the roles and responsibilities of St Mary's Catholic Primary School in the provision of drinking water for pupils. As a school we appreciate the need for children to remain hydrated in order to be safe, happy and to learn. The following guidelines are designed to ensure that this can take place.

### **The role of the parents:**

Parents will provide a clean water bottle each day for their child. This water bottle must be named to ensure that other children do not drink out of it.

The water bottle should be of the type that can be washed and re filled. Regular water bottles may represent a choking hazard from the cap and some research suggests that these bottles, if washed and reused several times, may leach bisphenol A (BPA).

If a child forgets to bring their water bottle home then parents should send in a second bottle the next day. If this does not happen then school cannot be responsible for cleaning out dirty water bottles.

### **The role of the school:**

School will provide fresh drinking water which can be used to fill up water bottles.

Access to this facility will be outside of lesson time.

Each week any water bottles left in school will be disposed of as they present a health risk.