

UNIFORM POLICY

1. RATIONALE

School Council believes that a compulsory school uniform for students fosters equality, assists in their welfare and safety and promotes a positive school identity and image in a variety of community and public settings.

2. PURPOSE

- 2.1 The wearing of school uniform promotes pride in the school and self discipline.
- 2.2 To promote the school image within the local area and places beyond.

3. GUIDELINES

- 3.1 All students are required to wear the published school uniform as determined by School Council which has the authority to create and review the dress code of students.
- 3.2 Full school uniform must be worn to and from school, at school, and on all school activities unless the Principal grants an exemption for a particular activity. No leggings are to be worn under school uniform.
- 3.3 Exemptions from wearing school uniform may be given for special event days, cultural or medical reasons, camps or any other activity where uniform is deemed to be either unsafe or inappropriate.
- 3.4 Students not in full school uniform must present a satisfactory written explanation from their parents to the classroom teacher.
- 3.5 Where students are not in school uniform and have not furnished a satisfactory written explanation, the classroom teacher, Sub School Team Leader or Principal class personnel will send home the appropriate reminder letter to verify the reason for the student's appearance. Where the breach of expectation is ongoing, then any of the above personnel will implement appropriate consequences in accordance with the school's Student Code of Conduct.
- 3.6 Wrist watches and ear jewellery (studs and standard sleepers only) are the only jewellery items permitted to be worn to school. No visible make-up is to be worn, including nail polish.
- 3.7 Children will not be permitted to wear any items of clothing, jewellery or footwear that is considered unsuitable for school that is not covered in items 6 or 8, especially if the item under concern breaches safety guidelines.
- 3.8 Uniform hats must be worn for all outdoor activities in Terms 1 through to the end of April and term 4. Cultural headwear such as turbans and Hijabs are to be in school colours, maroon, light blue, navy blue or white and not have any trimming. Eg beads, lace or braid.
- 3.9 No fluorescent coloured shoes/runners. Shoe laces are to be black, navy blue or white – no fluorescent or other colours.