UNIFORM
POLICY

Rationale:
- A uniform policy reinforces in students a pride in their own appearance, instils recognition of themselves as an integral part of the school community, and assists in developing pride in representing their school. Issues of safety, health and equality, and expense are also factors that underpin the need for a school uniform.

Aims:
- To promote equality amongst all students.
- To further develop a sense of pride in, and identification with our school.
- To provide comfortable, durable clothing that is cost effective and practical for our school environment.
- To maintain and enhance the positive image of the school in the community.

Implementation:
The school uniform consists of:
- a light blue polo t-shirt or skivvy
- dark blue long pants, shorts, skorts or netball skirt (bicycle pants are permitted to be worn underneath)
- chequered blue & white school dress (bicycle pants are permitted to be worn underneath) or blue plaid tunic
- dark blue jumper, fleece or bomber jacket
- dark blue raincoat or coat
- black school shoes or plain runners or sneakers
- Blue or white socks or dark blue tights
- Sunsmart hats. They must be worn outside in terms 1 and 4 and at other times at the staff’s discretion
- Hajji or head bands in school colours or shades of school colours

Items of clothing that are not acceptable as part of the school uniform include:
- Denim shorts or jeans or bicycle pants (on their own, heavily worn/ ripped items
- Vibrant or brightly coloured footwear or open toed footwear
- Bomber jackets with hoods or clothing with logos
- Baseball caps

The uniform policy applies during school hours, while travelling to and from school, and when students are representing their school e.g. excursions, sport etc.

A minimalist approach to the wearing of jewellery will be taken. Minimalist is defined only as:
- A watch
- Stud or Sleeper earrings
- Discrete religious necklaces worn under clothing

No responsibility will be taken for lost or damaged items of jewellery.
- Nail polish and cosmetics are not allowed.
- Students with collar length/ longer must wear their hair tied back
- New school uniforms with the school logo can be purchased through the office, generic uniform items can be purchased from other outlets or second hand items can be purchased from the second hand uniform store at school.
- The uniform policy, including details of uniform items and places of purchase, will be published in the newsletter at the start of each year and on the school web site.
- School Council requires that the Principal be responsible for implementation of the uniform policy.
- Failure to comply with the dress code will result in a letter being sent home. Continued non compliance will result in the student being excluded from the school yard and events involving representing the school until appropriate items of clothing are worn. Consistent non compliance will result in a meeting with the Principal
- Arrangements can be made to supply uniforms via State Schools Relief/ school office for families experiencing economic hardship.
- Parents seeking exemptions to the uniform policy must apply in writing to the School Council.

Evaluation:
- Ratified by School Council March 2012
- This policy will be reviewed as part of the school’s review cycle.

References: Exec Memo 95/022 – Student Dress Codes

Version 2: