

# Uniform Policy

## Rationale:

A uniform dress code 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 equality, health and safety, and expense are also factors that contribute to the establishment of the Dress Code.

## Aims:

- To promote equality amongst all students.
- To further develop a sense of pride in, and identification with our school.
- To provide 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:

- After consultation with the school community and the Student Representative Council, School Council has developed a Dress Code that we believe provides choice for the students, allows for students to safely engage in the many varied school activities, and caters for the financial constraints of families.
- The Dress Code applies during school hours, while travelling to and from school, and when students are on school excursions.
- Summer and winter uniforms, as well as sports uniforms will be prescribed, and are required to be worn.
- Stud earrings and sleepers worn in the ears, plus watches are the only acceptable jewellery.
- Suitable footwear such as runners, lace-up or buckled shoes or flat heeled boots are to be worn. Socks and shoes to be in keeping with school uniform colours. Open toed sandals are not to be worn (including on free dress days) for safety reasons.
- Students must wear either a complete Summer or Winter uniform and not mix items from each list, i.e. Polo shirt over the top of long sleeve top is not in compliance with the policy.
- Sports tops can only be worn on days when student have Physical Education or Interschool/House Sport.
- The only headwear that is acceptable is Sunsmart hats consistent with our Sunsmart policy. They must be worn outside in terms 1 & 4. Hats are not to be worn inside.
- Extreme hair colours (eg: green, pink or purple rinses) and/or extreme hairstyles (eg: spikes, or Mohawks) are not permitted.
- Other than clear nail polish, cosmetics may not be worn at school.
- Fundraising wrist bands can be worn on the special awareness day, i.e. Red Nose Day, or for one week only if no specific date exists. Only one band should be worn at a time.
- A second hand uniform service for parents is available at school.
- The student Dress Code, including details of uniform items and places of purchase, will be published in the newsletter at the start of each year.
- School Council requires the Principal be responsible for implementation of the Dress Code.
- Arrangements can be made to supply uniforms via State Schools Relief for families experiencing economic hardship.
- Parents seeking exemptions to the Dress Code due to religious beliefs, ethnic or cultural background, student disability, health condition or economic hardship must apply in writing to the School Council for consideration.

## **Girls' Uniform to be a choice from the following range:**

### Summer:

- Navy and white cotton check dress
- Royal blue cotton uni-sex shorts
- Royal blue cotton skorts
- Sky blue school logo polo shirt – short sleeves
- Royal blue school logo windcheater of crew round neck or bomber jacket design

### Winter:

- Sky blue school logo polo shirt – long sleeves
- Sky blue skivvy
- Royal blue school logo windcheater of crew round neck or bomber jacket design
- Royal blue polar fleece vest and/or jacket with school logo
- Royal blue tracksuit pants – plain or double knee
- Royal blue bootleg pants – cotton elastine
- Winter weight checked skirt or tunic with the option of navy blue tights (These should only be worn during Terms 2 and 3).

## **Boys' Uniform to be a choice from the following range:**

### Summer:

- Sky blue school logo polo shirt – short sleeves
- Royal blue cotton uni-sex shorts
- Royal blue school logo windcheater of crew round neck or bomber jacket design

### Winter:

- Sky blue school logo polo shirt – long sleeves
- Sky blue skivvy
- Royal blue school logo windcheater of crew round neck or bomber jacket design
- Royal blue polar fleece jacket with school logo
- Royal blue tracksuit pants– plain or double knee

## **Sports Uniform**

- Parktone polyester short sleeve sports top
- Royal blue netball skirt uni sex-shorts or skort for girls
- Royal blue uni-sex shorts for boys
- Blue leggings
- Royal Blue tracksuit pants
- Royal blue school logo windcheater of crew round neck or bomber jacket design
- Runners

## **Sun Smart Policy**

- Royal blue slouch hats with school logo are compulsory wearing during terms one and four.
- On free dress days clothing should comply with the Sun Smart policy – eg no singlet tops.

## **Winter Warmth**

- During terms two and three, the wearing of beanies (woollen / polar fleece) in the school colour of royal blue will be permitted.
- Due to safety issues, the wearing of scarves to and from school only is permitted.

**Hair Accessories:** Sky, royal or navy blue colours only.

**Logo:** The Parktone School Logo is preferred not mandatory.

## **Evaluation**

This policy will be reviewed as part of the school's three-year review cycle.

**Date Approved by School Council: May 8<sup>th</sup> 2012**