



# UNIFORM POLICY

## 1.0 INTRODUCTION

St. Joseph's Primary School is a place where community members:

- Learn and live with commitment, the beliefs and values of the Catholic Faith.
- Work in a safe, caring environment.
- Embrace leadership, as partners, and apply innovative and progressive practices
- Engage best practice and provide rich experiences to produce excellent, measurable outcomes, academically, emotionally, spiritually and socially

## 2.0 VISION

St Joseph's Primary School is committed to providing affordable uniforms to families.

## 3.0 RATIONALE

St. Joseph's prides itself on the way students present themselves. St. Joseph's seeks to install and foster pride in students for their appearance and in their school. The wearing of the school uniform is compulsory and is not negotiable. Students should wear the correct uniform neatly and appropriately at all times.

## 4.0 POLICY STATEMENT

### Aims:

School uniforms engender a sense of respect for self. They set a tone amongst students and in wearing them they reflect a sense of pride in one's own appearance, of being organised and self-disciplined in preparations for the school day.

- To engender a sense of pride and belonging in the school.
- To ensure all students feel equal reduces competition between students, and bullying on the basis of clothing
- To eliminate dilemmas about what to wear to school.
- To reduce the need for parents to buy expensive clothing.
- To offer quality, durable clothing to parents at reasonable costs and to ensure students are dressed safely and appropriately for school activities.
- To encourage students to attend to personal presentation.
- To make students easier to identify at school and on excursions.
- To attract enrolments to the school.
- Adherence with school uniform policy reflects possible future workplace expectations and reinforces positive behaviour.

**The School's Uniform Shop operates within the school and provides all of the approved uniform items (except socks and shoes).** Good quality second hand items are available through the Uniform Shop.

### The Dress Code applies:

- During school hours
- While travelling to and from school,
- When students are on school excursions
- Representing our school in an official capacity.

### The Dress Code will be:

Encouraged by all members of staff, students and parents to be neat and tidy and take pride in personal appearance.

**If out of uniform:**

- Parent are required to send a note if their child / children are out of uniform. A generic note will be provided via the newsletter. Hard copies will be available from the office.
- Notes explaining reason for student not being in uniform are to be sent to the Principal.
- The Principal will be responsible for the implementation of the Dress Code in a manner consistent with the Positive Behaviour Intervention in Schools Program operating throughout the school.
- The school will recognise individual situations where physical disability or serious financial difficulty exist and will accommodate those in accordance with individual needs.

**Exemptions**

Parents may seek exemptions to the Dress Code due to religious beliefs, ethnic or cultural background, student disability, medical condition or economic hardship through consultation with the principal.

**Recommendations**

This policy will be reviewed on a needs basis.

**Appendix 1****Compulsory Dress Code for all students at St. Joseph's School.****Summer Uniform****Girls:**

Blue and white checked dress with checked collar and no solid white binding

Plain white socks

Black shoes

**Or**

Navy blue and yellow short sleeved polo shirt with school logo

Navy Blue tailored shorts

Plain white socks

Black shoes / sandals

**Boys:**

Grey gabardine shorts

Navy blue and yellow short sleeved polo shirt with school logo

Black shoes

Plain grey socks (No visible logo or writing)

**Winter Uniform****Girls:**

Navy blue pleated pinafore

Navy blue gaberdine elastic-waisted boot leg pants

Long/short sleeved navy blue and yellow polo shirt with school logo

Navy blue windcheater with school logo

Plain navy blue socks/plain navy blue tights.

All black shoes

School beanie

A plain navy blue scarf can be worn to and from school but not in class.

**Or**

Navy blue school polyester bootleg (navy polyester fleecy-lined elastic-waisted pants)

Navy blue and yellow polo shirt with school logo

Navy fleecy-lined top with school logo

Plain navy blue socks (No visible logo or writing)

Black shoes

**Boys:**

Grey long pants / grey shorts

Long/short sleeved navy blue and yellow polo shirt with school logo

Navy blue windcheater with school logo

Plain grey socks (No visible logo or writing)

Black shoes

School Beanie

A plain navy blue scarf can be worn to and from school but not in class.

**Sports Uniform****Girls:**

Navy blue and yellow polo with school logo.

Plain navy blue shorts.

Plain white socks (No visible logo or writing)

Sneakers

**Boys:**

Navy blue and yellow polo with school logo.

Plain navy blue shorts.

Plain white socks (No visible logo or writing)

Sneakers

- Please note the school tracksuit with plain white socks & sneakers can be worn as sports uniform during the colder months. No brand labels or stripes on the tracksuit pants.

**Approved School Hats/Beanie - Sun Smart Policy**

Navy blue wide brimmed hat with the school logo

School beanie

All students are required to wear hats correctly in the playground Terms 1 & 4

Students are not to write on/damage/or cut hats

Students are to provide their own sunscreen

During swimming programs students are required to wear a rash vest or t-shirt whilst in the pool

**Jewellery/Nail Polish**

Stud earrings and sleepers, plus watches are the only jewellery to be worn.

Medical alert bracelets etc. are exempt.

P.B.I.S. Band is permitted.

Special events wrist bands and Anzac badges are permitted during the celebration period

No nail polish or makeup is to be worn to school

**Hair & Hair Accessories**

Conservative hairstyles

Navy blue, white or black hair ties and ribbons only and yellow on sport's day

Plain navy blue or silver clips / clasps

All hair below shoulder length is to be tied back regardless of gender

**Note:**

Grade 6 Graduating Class Polo Shirts are permitted to be worn as uniform by the Grade 6 students.

If a decision is made by parents to continue the purchase of these each year.