School 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:
• The Student Dress Code will provide choice for students, allows for students to safely engage in the many varied school activities, caters for the financial constraints of families and caters for individual needs through alternatives within overall garment requirements.
• The Dress Code applies during school hours, while travelling to and from school, and when students are on school excursions. Parents will be notified in writing if a special day or excursion allows for the wearing of casual clothing.
• Full school uniform with logo is essential for out of school programs or excursions and school photographs.
• Summer and Winter 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.
• Other than clear nail polish, cosmetics may not be worn at school.
• The only head wear that is acceptable is Sunsmart hats consistent with our Sunsmart policy. Broad brimmed or bucket style navy hats. They must be worn outside in terms 1 & 4. Hats are not to be worn inside.
• A parent volunteer will operate a second hand uniform store for parents.
• 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 in a manner consistent with the Student Code of Conduct/Student Engagement Guidelines.
• Arrangements can be made to supply uniforms via State Schools Relief for families experiencing economic hardship.
• Parents may apply for a full or partial exemption from the Student Dress Code if they feel it discriminates against their child on the basis of student disability, sex, race, ethnic or cultural grouping, nationality, religious belief or colour. Applications must be in writing to the Principal.

Guidelines
• This policy will be reviewed as part of the school’s three year review cycle.