



SUNBURY HEIGHTS PRIMARY SCHOOL

UNIFORM POLICY

Rationale

A compulsory uniform promotes and reinforces students' pride in their own appearance, instils recognition of themselves as part of the school community and assists in developing pride when representing the school. A uniform dress code reduces peer pressure in relation to fashion and is cost effective.

Aims

- To promote equality amongst all students.
- To further develop a sense of pride in, and identification with our school.
- To provide a school uniform that is practical, comfortable, attractive and affordable.
- To maintain and enhance the positive image of the school in the community.

Implementation

Students will be expected to wear full school uniform during school hours, while travelling to and from school and when on school excursions.

Provision of school uniform should not inflict hardship on any family. The Principal has the discretion to make the necessary arrangements to ensure this does not occur and parents should make an appointment to see the Principal if they are not able to supply uniforms items.

Parents seeking exemptions to the dress code due to religious beliefs, ethnic or cultural background, student disability or health conditions are to contact the Principal.

The only headwear that is acceptable is a blue broad rimmed hat, bucket hat or legionnaires cap consistent with our Sun Smart policy. Hats must be worn outside in terms 1 & 4. Hats are not to be worn inside. During the winter months, beanies can be worn at school. An exemption is made for religious scarves, however these should be red, white or blue to fit in with the uniform colours.

All uniform items will be available from the PSW retail outlet at the Aldi shopping complex in Sunbury.

It is recommended that uniform bottoms – skorts, shorts, tracksuit pants, leggings and mid-length bike shorts are navy blue. (not black)

All items of clothing that are likely to be removed during the school day, should be clearly named. This allows misplaced or lost clothing to be returned to students.

Stud earrings and small sleepers worn in the ears only, plus watches (smart watches are NOT permitted) are the only acceptable jewellery. Other facial jewellery is not permitted. Hair should be natural colour and accessories must be in the school colours (red, white or navy blue) and should be unobtrusive.

Extreme hair colours (eg. green, pink or purple) and/or extreme hair styles (eg. patches of colour, Mohawks or shaved designs) are not permitted.

Other than clear nail polish, cosmetics (makeup) may not be worn at school.

Students who are identified as being 'out of uniform' will be required to provide a reason for this. Any student who consistently does not comply with the uniform policy or who blatantly contravenes the policy will be given a note to inform their parents, and if necessary, consequences will be enforced in accordance with the school Code of Conduct.

Parents are expected to support the school by ensuring correct uniform is worn.

This policy will be updated every three years.
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