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Purpose

This policy aims to:

- Provide students, parents and staff with an explanation for maintaining a school uniform.
- Set out the responsibilities of various groups in maintaining school uniform standards.

Policy Statement

This Policy emphasises **the importance of wearing the school uniform correctly** as an important dimension of school life. School uniforms provide a strong sense of identity and contribute to inclusiveness and equity in schools.

- ✓ To promote equity and equality for all students
- ✓ To promote a strong sense of school pride
- ✓ To ensure health and safety of students in school activities
- ✓ To provide durable clothing that is cost effective and practical for school activities

Scope

School uniform requirements regarding school expectations and student appearance applies:

- during school hours
- while travelling to and from school
- when students are engaged in school activities out of school hours

Guiding Principles

In this context, the approach to school uniform requirements is based upon these beliefs:

- The school has developed a uniform dress code that provides choice for students, allows for students to safely engage in school activities and for the diversity of the school population.

- The wearing of the school uniform promotes a sense of belonging for students and creates a positive identity for the school community.
- The school uniform contributes to the personal safety of students by allowing easier recognition of students inside the school and in the community.
- Uniform items provide for various school and physical activities. Students are required to adhere to the strict uniform requirements of closed in black leather shoes for specific school activities.
- The school's response to a student not wearing uniform will be appropriate, fair and consistent.
- The school uniform must be the result of formal consultation with students, teachers and other staff, parents or carers, and the school community, including parent representatives.

Responsibilities

The following information sets out levels of responsibility for all involved in creating the responsibility for the wearing of the uniform.

School Principals and Delegates are responsible for:

- Developing Policy and Procedures for uniform requirements.
- Inform parents and carers of the uniform requirements.
- Lead consultation during a review of school uniform requirements.
- Oversee contract negotiations with school uniform suppliers, in consultation with the Assistant Director, including complying with written agreements with clothing suppliers.
- Enforce compliance with uniform requirements fairly and equitably and carefully consider parent/carer concerns and requests.
- Provide assistance to families in need.
- Maintain documentation of the school's uniform requirements and consultation undertaken.

PARENTS AND CARERS

- Commit to supporting the school's uniform requirement as part of the enrolment agreement and school community Code of Conduct.
- Support the student to adhere to the uniform requirements.
- Work with the school to resolve regarding student compliance with the school's uniform requirements.
- Request if necessary modifications and exemptions to the dress code in writing, providing reasons for the request.

STUDENTS

- Wear a school uniform that meets the schools' uniform requirements as set out in the school procedures.
- Encouraged to wear the school hat and sunscreen while engaging in school activities which outdoors. (Sunscreen available for students from Student Services and the PE staff room)

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Budget

The budget for consultation with review of policy and procedures will be determined by the school Principal.

Evaluation

This Policy will be reviewed on a regular basis to ensure alignment with school structures and procedures.