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UNIFORM POLICY

St. Agnes' Primary School



RATIONALE:

St. Agnes' School uniform is a visible sign that the students belong to St Agnes' Parish Schools.

AIMS:

It is the policy of this school that all children are required to wear a school uniform. The uniform should be serviceable, practical and affordable.

Guidelines

It is our intention that the wearing of a school uniform will:

- Provide an economical and neat mode of dress for the children of our school.
- Promote the identity of the school.
- Add to the atmosphere tone and spirit of the school.
- Help develop in the children a sense of ownership and belonging with regard to the school.
- Reduce unfair competition and discrimination arising from the pressures of the ever changing world of fashion.
- Assist with home routines and avoid unnecessary concerns of what to wear to school

It is the responsibility of the parents to ensure, to the best of their ability, that their children wear the correct uniform to school.

It is the responsibility of the Principal and school staff to ensure that uniform regulations are enforced. However, compassion and discretion should be exercised where appropriate. The task of recommending what the uniform is to be and any changes that need to be made is the responsibility of the Parish Uniform Committee with the final ratification being the responsibility of the St Agnes' Parish.

All new families will receive a copy of the Parent Information Booklet when their child is enrolled in the school. Parents have access to the policy through the school's website.

IMPLEMENTATION:

- Children are expected to wear the prescribed uniform. If a student has to wear the incorrect uniform for a particular reason, a note is required from the parent in order to eliminate any misunderstandings.

- A school hat is required and is to be worn correctly as a ‘NO HAT – NO PLAY ‘ policy is in place.
- Information regarding Uniform Requirements will be reiterated through the school newsletter and classroom message board on a regular basis.
- Uniform requirements are as follows:

GIRLS (SUMMER):

Green & white check dress to be worn to the knee
 Long or short white socks (plain & worn above the ankle)
 Black **polishable leather** shoes (no ballet flats or dress shoes; heel no more than 30mm)
 Brown school sandals (optional)
 Navy jumper with school emblem (if required)
 Only green, white or navy ribbons/headbands acceptable for tying back hair
 School hat

GIRLS (WINTER):

Navy tunic to the knee
 White long or short sleeve blouse
 School tie
 White socks (worn above ankle) or flesh or navy coloured tights (no socks over them)
 Black **polishable leather** shoes (no ballet flats or dress shoes; heel no more than 30mm)
 Navy jumper with school emblem (if required)
 Only green, white or navy ribbons/headbands acceptable for tying back hair
 School hat

SPORTS UNIFORM – the same for GIRLS and BOYS:

School sports shirt with school logo (only available from Joprims)
 Bottle green mesh shorts
 Short white socks
 Regulation tracksuit (sport days only if required)
 Navy jumper with school emblem (if required)
 White sandshoes/joggers
 School hat

- Girls may wear a single pair of studs or sleepers in the normal lobe position. Other forms of body piercing or tattoos are not permitted. No jewellery permitted with the exception of a signet ring and crucifix on a neck chain.
- Hair should be neat, clean and of the student’s natural colour. Hair should be styled off the face for both boys and girls, Extremes in hairstyles are not permitted. Long hair must be tied back from the face in the interests of hygiene and safety using elastic, ribbon or headbands in the school colours.
- Nails are to be kept clean and trimmed. Nail polish is not permitted.
- All uniforms can be purchased at the Parish Schools’ Uniform Shop JOPRIMS, situated at the rear of St Agnes’ school car parking area. JOPRIMS is open Tuesday to Friday from 12 noon to 5.00pm and on Saturdays from 9.00 am to 12 noon. During January operating hours are Monday to Friday 10.00am to 5.00pm and Saturday from 9.00am to 12noon. JOPRIMS’s phone number is 65841076.

BOYS (SUMMER):

Blue shirt (short sleeves)
 Grey shorts
 Long or short grey socks with school colours (worn above the ankle)
 Black **polishable leather** shoes
 Brown school sandals (optional)
 Navy jumper with school emblem (if required)
NB: Only regulation school shorts acceptable – no corduroy surf shorts
 School hat

BOYS (WINTER):

Grey shorts or long grey trousers
 Blue shirt (long or short sleeves)
 School tie
 Long or short grey socks with school colours (worn above ankle)
 Black **polishable leather** shoes
 Navy jumper with school emblem (if required)
NB: Only regulation school shorts acceptable – no corduroy surf shorts
 School hat

- The St Agnes' Parent Body has organised the sale of second hand. Parents are welcome to call into the office to collect a key during office hours. Donations of uniforms are always appreciated.
- All clothing should be clearly labelled. A lost property box for unclaimed clothing has been placed in the school library

DRESS FOR OUT OF UNIFORM DAYS:

- On occasions, (eg fundraising days) children are able to wear casual clothing. Parents and students are reminded that all clothing worn on these days must be appropriate.
- The school stipulates that shirts must have sleeves (in accordance with the Sun Smart Policy) and footwear must be covered (no thongs).
- All students must wear either joggers or some other kind of enclosed footwear.
- Hats are still compulsory on "out of uniform days." They may wear their school hat or a hat of the child's choice.
- Parents will be notified of out of uniform days via the school newsletter.

CONSEQUENCES:

- If your child is unable to wear correct uniform on any one day, an accompanying letter needs to be sent to the class teacher.
- If there is repeated failure to adhere to the uniform requirements, parents will be notified by phone from either the class teacher or a school executive member.
- As a result of this communication the teacher or executive member may gain an understanding of whether the family may require financial support for purchasing uniform requirements.
- We encourage parents to communicate with the school Principal at any time if they have any concerns in relations to uniform requirements.

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