**UNIFORM POLICY**

**Purpose**

This policy will encourage a commitment to the wearing of a school uniform to promote:

• pride and identity with the school

• safety in the school yard and on excursions

• a sense of belonging to the school community.

**Guidelines**

• School Council will only enter into contracts with clothing suppliers according to Department of Education and Early Childhood Development guidelines

• The uniform will include these items:

Where possible and where available, the school logo on items is preferable.

* School dress - summer
* Windcheaters, bottle green
* bomber jacket, bottle green/red trim
* Polo shirt red/green
* Shorts/ skorts bottle green
* Pants bottle green
* Red or bottle green skivvies/ long sleeve t shirt
* Winter tunic
* Winter skirt
* Bottle green tights

– Sandals (not opened toe) runners or sturdy shoes

* Bucket and broad brimmed Sunsmart hats are required September - May

***– Grade 6 children only*** may wear the above and grade 6 jacket.

• Children wearing the school colours are wearing the appropriate school uniform.

• Sports uniform will be a red t-shirt, green shorts, green netball skirt / skorts, Sunsmart hat and suitable shoes.

• Exemptions may be granted for the following reasons:

– religious, ethnic or cultural beliefs

– special circumstances that occur from time to time.

These exemptions will be granted at the discretion of the Principal

• The School Council Uniform sub-committee will be responsible for the ordering, sales and distribution of uniforms, unless a retail contract is signed.

• Although profits should be of secondary importance, prices should be reasonably structured to ensure that the Uniform Shop is able to be self supporting.

• The Uniform Shop will be an ‘Input Taxed’ business of the school to simplify GST issues.

**Implementation**

• Any contracts, either verbal or written must be approved by School Council before being placed with a supplier.

• The uniform will be available through: (as per contract)

- website

– direct purchase from the uniform shop

– hours appointed by shop or sub committee

– orders forwarded to the office with correct money enclosed

– direct purchase at Prep Orientation Day in December

• An updated order form will be available each term

• A second hand retail outlet will be available.

• At the end of each term all students and parents are given the opportunity to reclaim lost property. After that date, any unclaimed items will be washed and placed in the second hand shop.

• An ‘Out of Uniform Day’ may be held once per term. Students will be asked to make a token donation to participate. Junior School Council will nominate which charity, project or organisation will benefit from the proceeds.

• Any changes to the uniform must be referred to a Uniform sub-committee, then to School Council for approval, before it is recommended to the school community. Six months notice will be given before changes are implemented.

• Sleepers and studs are acceptable.

• Excessive jewelry, hair decorations and make-up will not be permitted.

* + - * Hair longer than shoulder length should be tied back.
* All students will be encouraged to wear full school uniform with pride and identity.

**Evaluation**

Success will be judged by the percentage of students wearing uniform.