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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, 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:

- After consultation with the school community and the Junior School Council, School Council has developed a Dress Code that provides choice for the students, allows for students to safely engage in the many varied school activities and caters for the financial constraints of families.
- The Dress Code applies during school hours, while travelling to and from school, and when students are on school excursions.
- Summer and winter uniforms are required to be worn as prescribed.
- A sport top is required by years 4-6 students and is to be worn at all sporting events.
- **Leggings and trousers are not to be worn under summer dresses;** bike shorts are acceptable under uniforms.
- Coloured hair clips and bands are not acceptable, other than in plain school colours.
- Socks should be white or blue school in colour.
- Tights worn with the winter uniform should be navy or black.
- Stud earrings worn in the ears, plus watches are the only acceptable jewellery.
- Extreme hair colours and/or extreme hairstyles are not permitted.
- Nail polish and cosmetics may not be worn at school.
- The only hats that are acceptable are Sunsmart hats consistent with our Sunsmart policy. They must be worn outside beginning September 1 each year and ending on April 30th the following year. Navy winter beanies may be worn in Terms 2 & 3.
- Administration will operate a scheme for good quality second hand uniforms, and 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 and regularly throughout the term
- The Principal and staff will be responsible for implementation of the Dress Code in a manner consistent with the Student Code of Conduct
- Parents seeking an exemption to the Dress Code due to religious beliefs, ethnic or cultural background, student disability, health condition or economic hardship will need to have it taken into consideration by the Principal
- Year 6 will be invited to contribute ideas regarding a final year uniform


- No non-uniform skivvies or long sleeve t-shirts to be worn

Acceptable Uniform Breakdown		
Season	Girls	Boys
Summer Uniform	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Summer dress (bike shorts may be worn underneath but no leggings) • School bomber jacket or jumper • Navy shorts with school polo • White or blue socks • Black school shoes or black runners (to be phased in: Foundation 2017. Other year levels as shoes are replaced) • School broad brim hat (optional navy bucket or legionnaires hat that covers ears) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Navy shorts • School polo • School bomber jacket or jumper • White or blue socks • Black school shoes or black runners (to be phased in: Foundation 2017. Other year levels as shoes are replaced) • School broad brim hat (optional navy bucket or legionnaires hat that covers ears) • WPS navy rain jacket with school logo
Winter Uniform	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • WPS school pinafore or skirt with long sleeve school polo • Navy stockings with pinafore • School dress • No leggings are to be worn under summer dresses • Navy track pants with school polo • School bomber jacket or jumper • Plain navy beanie, scarf and gloves optional 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Navy track pants with school polo or navy shorts with long/short polo • School bomber jacket or jumper • Plain navy beanie, scarf and gloves optional • WPS navy rain jacket with school logo
Sports Uniform	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Track pants, school polo and white runners • Years 4-6 Sports top provided by school for interschool sports. Top provided by school to be taken home, washed and returned by following week. 	
Hair and jewellery	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hair is to be worn up and any ribbons or clips are to be white, black or navy • Any earrings should be studs • Medical alert or religious jewellery are permitted on application to the Principal. 	

**If the uniform code cannot be met due to financial circumstances
please contact Jenine or Ms Fergeus**

Evaluation:

Evaluation of this policy will be carried out by the Education Committee as part of the cyclic review process in three years' time or beforehand if a significant issue arises.

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