



POLICY : SCHOOL UNIFORM

School Council under Ministerial Order (*Education and Training Reform Act 2006*) have the authority to create and implement dress codes for their students.

BASIC BELIEFS:

- The wearing of the school uniform helps children develop a sense of pride and identity with, and belonging to the school community.
- The school uniform promotes a positive image of the school to the general community.
- The wearing of the school uniform promotes equality by helping to break down socio-economic barriers.
- The school uniform should make it cheaper for parents to outfit their children for school.
- The school Uniform is in line with our *Sunsmart Policy*.

GUIDELINES:

- Appropriate action where necessary will be taken to enforce this school uniform policy.
- **All school uniforms are to be named.**
- All children will be expected to wear uniform to school, and while participating in school excursions.
- For health and safety reasons long hair should be clipped or tied back.
- Ear piercing (sleeper or studs) is the only acceptable form of body piercing. For safety reasons staff have the right to request children to remove earrings or cover pierced ears when children are participating in school activities.

Facial piecing is not permitted at any time for any reason or duration.
- For kitchen classes, students must wear enclosed shoes and socks. For health and safety reasons long hair must be tied back and plaited.

- Nail polish and makeup are not to be worn at school.
- In general, jewellery is not encouraged.
- Shoes for safety reasons need to be secure and stay on the foot. NB: No thongs
- School uniform will be available from retail outlets in Wangaratta
eg North East Uniform Shop, Steers Clothing, or major chain stores.
- The school will have a uniform pool to assist families, where possible.
- A second hand uniform shop will operate as per newsletter.

BASIS OF DISCRETION:

- The Principal will decide when it is appropriate on an excursion for the grade 6 shirt to be worn.
- Any requests for exemption need to be referred to the principal.
- Grade 6 children have the option of purchasing a Grade 6 t-shirt in their final year.
- All clothing to be in the school colours.

PERIOD OF REVIEW:

- As per strategic plan.

THE SCHOOL UNIFORM TO BE:

Summer

Blue and white check gingham dress,
 Navy shorts, skirts or school skorts (no jeans or denim)

 Light blue school short sleeve polo shirt.
 Sandals, school shoes, sneakers/runners.

 Black, white or navy socks preferred.

 Navy wide-brimmed / bucket school hat as per Sunsmart recommendations.

 Plain navy windcheater/school bomber jacket/polo fleece.



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Winter

Navy skirt, plain navy track pants (no stripes)
or school trousers (no jeans or denim)

Light blue short/long sleeve polo shirt.

NB: Undershirts are not to be seen or are to be
pale blue.

Plain navy windcheater/school bomber
jacket/polo fleece.

School shoes or sneakers.

Black, white or navy socks preferred