

## Rationale

Uniforms create a sense of identity and cohesion in the school. Uniforms help parents in the decision making process of clothing their children by lessening the anxieties associated with clothing fashion.

## **Broad Guidelines**

- There is an expectation that all children will wear school uniform.
- The uniform shop will supply new uniforms at a competitive price. The uniform consists of items that must be royal blue and gold colours. Uniforms sold at the uniform shop include a school logo, although the logo is not a compulsory item.
- Grade 6 children will be encouraged to purchase a year level windcheater. The process for the purchase of these items will begin at the end of the grade 5 year.
- Students participating in interschool sport and excursions are expected to wear appropriate uniform.
- Students in grades 4 to 6 can opt to purchase and wear a school based sports uniform. The sports uniform can only be worn on days the students are playing sport or have PE lessons.
- Students in the choir can purchase and wear a choir t-shirt. The t-shirt can only be worn on days the students have choir practice or a performance.
- Children will be excluded from interschool sport and excursions if the appropriate uniform is not worn.
- Clean second hand uniforms can be obtained from a rack outside the uniform shop as they become available.
- A hat as prescribed in the uniform list is considered an essential item. In terms one and four the school will invoke a "No hat no play" policy as we are a registered Sun Smart School.
- The monitoring of the school uniform policy on a day to day basis will be the responsibility of class teachers and the principal.
- Shoulder length hair or longer should be tied back at all times.
- All hair accessories, socks and girl's tights should be selected to conform to the color scheme prescribed in the uniform list.
- Any recommendations regarding change to school uniforms will be dealt with through the School Council.
- In the interests of safety, all footwear should have closed toes.

## ${\it Implementation}$

- The wearing of the school uniform will be promoted to the parents of the prep children through the Prep Orientation Program
- Parents will be informed of the school's expectations of uniform via the school parent handbook, newsletter and information sessions.
- Children will be encouraged to wear school uniform by reminders at school assemblies
- The parents of a child who regularly does not wear uniform will be requested to provide a written note outlining the reasons for no uniform.
- A list of uniform requirements and prices will be given to all new students and will be made available to others at the general office.