



ST JOSEPH'S SCHOOL PLEASANT POINT

UNIFORM AND PERSONAL APPEARANCE POLICY

RATIONALE:

The Board believes that it has a responsibility to maintain a high standard of uniform and personal appearance within the school. We believe that students who present themselves tidily create a good impression in our school community and help promote the high standards we encourage.

The Board also has an obligation to ensure that no child is placed in a position that is not safe (e.g. in Technology or Science classes) by their personal appearance.

POLICY:

1. The board will ensure there is a regular supplier of the uniform. This will be regularly communicated to the parents, and will be made known through the school information pack.
2. The compulsory school uniform is:
 - Royal blue polar fleece (identified as St Joseph's)
 - Royal blue long sleeved or short sleeved polo shirt (identified as St Joseph's)
 - Navy blue trackpants or cargo shorts
 - Navy blue sports shorts (optional) for sport events

The above items are to be sourced through the school ordering system from the contracted supplier.

- Royal blue hat that provides cover for the ears, face and neck during Terms 1 and 4
- Navy blue ankle or mid calf socks
- Dark brown or black leather shoes, or dark brown or black sandals. The sandals must be sturdy and provide good protection eg Roman sandal style with either buckle or Velcro and have a heel strap.

3. If a warm hat is to be worn in Terms 2 & 3, it must be a navy blue 'beanie' style hat. Contrast colours and monograms are not permitted.
4. The jewellery standards are:
 - One small, plain stud per ear is acceptable.
 - Watches are acceptable that do not provide a safety risk.
 - Jewellery with special significance, (for example a christening bangle) may be permitted if the Principal has been approached and there is no safety risk.
5. Other personal appearance standards are:
 - Nail polish is not permitted.
 - Visible writing or drawing on skin is not permitted.
 - Hair shall be of a natural colour.
 - Long hair (shoulder length or longer) will be clipped back or tied with blue or neutral coloured clips and/or hair ties and/or a headband. Rat's tails are not permitted.
 - Long fringes need to be clipped back off the face.
 - Undergarments (e.g. boxers, thermal vests) should not be visible.
6. Exceptions:
 - If a child is unable to wear the correct uniform a reason will need to be supplied by a parent/guardian.
7. The principal or their delegate will implement this policy.
8. Any disputes will follow the complaints procedure.

Formulated by: Documentation and Self Review Sub Committee
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Chairperson: _____ **Date:** _____

This policy should be read in conjunction with the Special Character policy and