

# UNIFORM

## POLICY 2024

### **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 its values, and assists in developing pride in representing their school. Issues of equality, health and safety and expense are also factors that contribute to the establishment of the Dress Code.

### **Aims:**

- To promote equality among all students.
- To further develop a sense of pride in, and identification with our school.
- To provide durable clothing that is 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, staff and the Student Voice, School Council has developed a Dress Code that we believe 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 traveling to and from school, and when students are on school excursions/camps.
- Hats should be worn outdoors in Terms 1 & 4 during Sport/Physical Education classes and are encouraged at lunchtime and recess. Wide brim hats are encouraged but School Council has deemed a cap acceptable. Hats are not to be worn indoors.
- No second-hand uniform store operates but the school is happy to accept donations of uniform no longer used or required.
- The student Dress Code, including details of uniform items and place of purchase, will be published at the end/start of each year.
- School Council requires the Principal be responsible for implementation of the Dress Code in a manner consistent with the Student Code of Conduct.
- Parents seeking exemptions to the Dress Code due to religious beliefs, ethnic or cultural background, student disability or health condition must apply in writing to the Principal.
- For families who are experiencing financial disadvantage, the school can facilitate applications for States School Relief (SSR).

### **Evaluation:**

- This policy will be reviewed prior to the end of the 2024.

This policy was last ratified by School Council on....

27<sup>th</sup> of May, 2024