

# **SCHOOL UNIFORM POLICY**

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#### RATIONALE

Notre Dame Catholic Primary School is a two-stream co-educational facility catering for students and their families from Pre-Kindergarten to Year 6. Our school name, Notre Dame, stands for Our Lady, Mary our Mother. Under her guidance, we strive to develop Christian values within our students and foster life-long learning with a vision of a positive future. An outward sign of belonging to this community is the wearing of the school uniform that bears the school crest and motto.

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.

Our school uniform not only provides a sense of belonging and pride of association in students at Notre Dame Catholic Primary School but also promotes the safety and security of students by allowing for the ready identification of students as belonging to our school. Equality is fostered through this Uniform Policy, common to all students.

#### PRINCIPLES

- 1. At Notre Dame Catholic Primary School, the obligation of students (Years 1 6) to wear a uniform is provided for in the contract between parent and school at the time of enrolment.
- 2. In cases of genuine financial hardship parents/carers may apply for assistance with the supply of uniform.
- 3. Should an unusual situation occur when a child is temporarily unable to wear a uniform / or part of, a note from a parent / carer must accompany the child.
- 4. The Uniform Shop will provide a service to the school community as long as the school has the resources for its smooth functioning. Whilst the Uniform Shop should be economically viable, it must not be motivated by profit.
- 5. Any price changes to the uniform will be made on the recommendation of the Uniform Shop Manager with the approval of the Principal.
- 6. The Uniform Shop will not refund or exchange uniform items that have been worn and/or are not in their original condition, with clothing tags attached. Uniform items must be returned within 7 days of purchase. Please retain your receipt as proof of purchase.
- 7. Where items are faulty they will be returned to the uniform supplier for credit approval.
- 8. The Uniform Shop will not offer the sale of second-hand uniforms on a consignment basis
- 9. Should changes be made to the Notre Dame School uniform, it will be a consultative process between the Principal, Advisory Council, staff and parent body. Final decision about changes to the school uniform rest with the Principal.

#### ORGANISATION

Our uniform is a sign of our community and all children in Year 1 to 6 are expected to support it. Parents and staff are expected to monitor and maintain the correct wearing of the school uniform and insist on the maintenance of high standards of personal presentation.

#### **General Standards and Expectations**

#### Uniforms:

- 1. Summer uniform is worn in Terms 1 and 4, winter uniform in Terms 2 and 3. Children are to wear the school sports uniform on the day they have Physical Education or Class Sport.
- 2. At all times, children are expected to be well-presented in their uniform. Uniforms are to be clean, pressed and in good condition. Shoes are to be kept polished and, predominately white sport shoes, kept clean.
- 3. Students are expected to take pride in their personal appearance and to be neatly attired. Each student is expected to be properly attired in full school uniform whilst at the school, travelling to and from school and when representing the school at external functions and events.
- 4. The school follows the Cancer Foundation's recommendations that the school hat must be worn all year round during recess and lunch times and all outdoor activities.
- 5. If the student is unable to wear the correct uniform on a particular day, a note explaining the reason needs to be given to the class teacher on the day.

### Hair:

### Boys:

- 1. Hair should be well-styled, brushed, neat and clean.
- 2. Hair is to be neatly groomed and off the collar. Hair should be tied back and clipped off the face if the length sits on the shoulder. Navy blue, red or white elastics, ribbons, scrunchies or plain headbands are only to be worn.
- 3. Artificial colours and highlights are not permitted.
- 4. No extreme hair styles such as mullets, ratstails, undercuts, mohawks, extra-long fringes or any other nonconventional style cut are allowed. What is natural and conventional is at the discretion of the Principal.

#### Girls:

- 1. Hair should be well-styled, brushed, neat and clean.
- 2. Hair should be tied back and clipped off the face if the length sits on the shoulder. Navy blue, red or white elastics, ribbons, scrunchies or plain headbands are only to be worn.
- 3. Artificial colours and highlights are not permitted.
- 4. No extreme hair styles such as mullets, ratstails, undercuts, mohawks, extra-long fringes or any other nonconventional style cut are allowed. What is natural and conventional is at the discretion of the Principal.

Special consideration will be given to cultural requests. This will be at the Principal's discretion.

#### Jewellery/Makeup:

1. Whilst it is recommended that no jewellery be worn at school for safety and security reasons. A wristwatch, a cross or Christian medal are acceptable. Only one pair of plain sleepers or studs is permitted. Medic alert bracelets are permitted to be worn.

6. Makeup and nail polish are not to be worn.

Parents will be notified of uniform infringements by the class teacher (incorrect uniform note). Parents are expected to support the school by correcting the uniform infringement within the week.

#### **UNIFORM REQUIREMENTS**

#### 1. SUMMER UNIFORM

- 1.1 The summer uniform is to be worn in Terms 1 and 4.
- 1.2 For girls, this consists of the school check summer dress, white school socks and black polished shoes. The check summer dress is to be worn at or below knee length.
- 1.3 Boys wear school white shirt short sleeve with logo pocket, navy school shorts (from the Uniform Shop), and black polished shoes, navy school socks.
- 1.4 The navy school jumper may be worn with the summer uniform.
- 1.5 Girls are permitted to wear navy blue, red or white hair elastics, ribbons, scrunchies or headbands in their hair. Hair accessories that make a fashion statement are not acceptable.

#### 2. WINTER UNIFORM

- 2.1 The winter uniform is to be worn in Terms 2 and 3.
- 2.2 Girls wear the school tartan skirt, white school shirt with logo pocket, school tie, and navy school jumper. White school socks are to be worn with black polished shoes. Navy stockings are optional. The tartan skirt is to be worn at or below knee length.
- 2.3 Navy school pants (from uniform shop) are available for girls to wear as an option with navy school socks and black polished school shoes.
- 2.4 A school scarf is optional for girls to wear with the winter uniform.
- 2.5 Boys wear navy school pants or shorts (from uniform shop), white school shirt with logo pocket, school tie, and navy school jumper. Navy school socks are worn with black polished shoes.

#### 3. SPORTS UNIFORM

- 3.1 The sports uniform consists of navy school tracksuit top and pants, navy school sports shorts, school polo sports shirt and white school socks.
- 3.2 Students sport shoes are to be predominantly white with non-marking soles.
- 3.3 It is compulsory to wear the navy school hat while participating in Physical Education classes and other outdoor lessons.

#### 4. OTHER UNIFORM REQUIREMENTS

- 4.1 The navy school hat is to be worn whenever students are engaged in activities outside.
- 4.2 Students are required to use the Notre Dame Catholic Primary School bag.
- 4.3 All items of the school uniform must be clearly labelled with the student's name.
- 4.4 On casual dress days, students are required to dress appropriately for the day's program and activities. Details regarding these activities will be available prior to the event.
- 4.5 Students cycling to and from school are required to wear a helmet. These should be secured to the bike and stored in the bike area. Appropriate wet weather clothing would be required.

## **UNIFORM REQUIREMENTS**

Uniform	Summer	Winter
Boys School Uniform	<ul> <li>White shirt short sleeved with school logo</li> <li>Navy school shorts</li> <li>Black polished school shoes with navy school socks</li> <li>Navy school hat</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>White shirt long / short sleeved with school logo</li> <li>Navy school pants or shorts</li> <li>School tie</li> <li>Navy school jumper</li> <li>Black polished school shoes and navy school socks</li> <li>Navy school hat</li> <li>Optional – school scarf</li> </ul>
Boys Sports Uniform	<ul> <li>School polo sports shirt</li> <li>Navy school sports shorts</li> <li>Predominately white sport shoes with white school socks</li> <li>Navy school hat</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Navy school tracksuit top and pants</li> <li>School polo sports shirt</li> <li>Navy school sports shorts</li> <li>Predominately white sport shoes with white school socks</li> <li>Navy school hat</li> </ul>
Girls School Uniform	<ul> <li>School check summer dress</li> <li>Black polished school shoes with white school socks</li> <li>Navy school hat</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>School tartan skirt</li> <li>White shirt long/short sleeved with school logo</li> <li>Black polished school shoes</li> <li>Navy tights or white school socks</li> <li>School tie</li> <li>Navy school jumper</li> <li>Navy school hat</li> <li>Optional – navy school pants</li> <li>Optional – school scarf</li> </ul>
Girls Sport Uniform	<ul> <li>School polo sports shirt</li> <li>Navy school sports shorts</li> <li>Predominately white sport shoes with white school socks</li> <li>Navy school hat</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Navy school tracksuit top and pants</li> <li>School polo sports shirt</li> <li>Navy school sports shorts</li> <li>Predominately white sport shoes with white school socks</li> <li>Navy school hat</li> </ul>



## **Uniform Note**

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Dear \_\_\_\_\_

It has come to our attention that \_\_\_\_\_\_has not been adhering to the Notre Dame Catholic Primary School's uniform standards. Please ensure that the item(s) below are attended to as soon as possible.

needs to:

- wear the correct footwear.
- wear the correct socks with sport and/or school uniform.
- wear the correct jumper or track suit top.
- wear the correct shorts/trousers/shirt.
- ensure hair is groomed correctly.
- ensure jewellery is worn correctly.
- ensure nails are free of nail polish.
- Other \_\_\_\_\_

It is important that all children attending Notre Dame Catholic Primary School are dressed in the correct school uniform at all times. Parents, on enrolment, agreed to be supportive of all school policies. Please refer to the Uniform Policy in the Parent Handbook.

Sincerely

Class Teacher

Please return, signed, to the class teacher.

#### Parent Comment: