



SCHOOL UNIFORM POLICY

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RATIONALE

A uniform dress code reinforces in students a pride in their own appearance, instils recognition of themselves as an integral part of the Our Lady of the Cape Primary School community, 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 our uniform policy.

PURPOSE

The wearing of school uniform is essential to:

1. Develop and promote the school's values, identity, tone and spirit and to provide a positive image in the community.
2. Promote within the students a sense of pride and school identity and enhance the supervision and safety on excursions.
3. Provide an opportunity for parents and staff to instil in the students a sense of pride in their appearance.
4. Provide clothing that is practicable, presentable and affordable.
5. Eliminate peer group pressure to wear less appropriate clothing to school.

GUIDELINES

- The Administration Team will implement the approved uniform policy and, in doing so, may grant exemption to a child from wearing part of the uniform for a designated period of time.
- An explanatory note from parents is required to be sent to the Classroom Teacher/Principal/Assistant Principal if a child is not wearing the correct school uniform.
- Dates of change for summer/winter uniform shall be determined by the Principal and shall recognise seasonal factors. These dates will be communicated via the newsletter or an email.
- On nominated days designated by the school, (for example whole school excursions, school photo day) parents may receive written notification from the school requesting that students all wear the full summer or winter uniform.
- Our Lady of the Cape Primary School implemented regulation school bags which became compulsory for all students in Pre-Primary and Year One at the start of the 2014 school year. This requirement will extend to all grades by 2019.
- If students are in public places while in school uniform, (e.g. shopping after school) the full, correct uniform must be worn.
- The school uniform shop provides a service for parents by stocking all items of approved school uniform, except for shoes and sport shoes.





- All members of the school staff are conscious of their role in implementing this policy by setting an example in their grooming and appropriateness of dress; and by ensuring that students are neatly attired in correct school uniform when participating in any school activity.

IMPLEMENTATION

The school uniform is to be worn as seasonally indicated. Summer uniform to be worn by all students during Term 1 and 4. Winter uniform to be worn by all students during Term 2 and 3. On certain days, e.g. School Photos, School Sports specific uniform may be designated at the Principal's discretion.

- All items of uniform should be purchased from the uniform shop at Our Lady of the Cape Primary School.
- Students are also required to supply an art smock and library bag.
- Free Dress Days will be approved as appropriate by the Principal. On these days students need to wear appropriate clothing to participate safely and appropriately in the school day.

BOYS SCHOOL UNIFORM

Summer:

- Grey shorts.
- White school shirt.
- Brown sandals (no socks) or black lace up school shoes (leather upper, tradition school shoe style) and short grey socks (socks available from uniform shop).

Winter:

- Grey melange trousers.
- White school shirt.
- Teal school jumper.
- Black lace up school shoes and grey socks.

Sports:

- Teal polo t-shirt (Tuesdays).
- Faction polo t-shirt (Fridays).
- Black rugby style shorts.
- Predominantly Black, Grey or White runner or cross-trainer style of shoe (see images at end of policy).
- White sport socks (above the ankle).
- School rugby top.
- Black track pants.

GIRLS SCHOOL UNIFORM

Summer:

- Teal 'summer' dress.
- Brown sandals (no socks) or black lace up school shoes (leather upper, tradition school shoe style) and white socks (above the ankle) – available from the uniform shop.





Winter:

- Teal tunic.
- White school shirt.
- Teal school jumper.
- Black lace up school shoes.
- White ankle socks (above the ankle) / black tights optional.

Sports:

- Teal polo t-shirt (Tuesdays).
- Faction polo t-shirt (Fridays).
- Black rugby style shorts.
- Predominantly Black, Grey or White runner or cross-trainer style of shoe (see images at end of policy).
- White sport socks (above the ankle).
- School rugby top.
- Black track pants.

PRE PRIMARY SCHOOL UNIFORM

Summer:

- Teal polo t-shirt (Mon - Thurs).
- Faction polo t-shirt (Fridays).
- Black rugby style shorts.
- Brown Sandals (no socks)
- Or white or grey sports joggers. The joggers must be at least 75% white/light grey and please avoid particularly colourful markings. Brightly coloured laces will need to be replaced. White sport socks (above the ankle).

Winter:

- Teal polo t-shirt (Mon - Thurs).
- Faction polo t-shirt (Fridays).
- Black track pants or black rugby style shorts.
- Predominantly Black, Grey or White runner or cross-trainer style of shoe (see images at end of policy).
- White sport socks (above the ankle).
- School rugby top.

- School hats must be worn out to play for Term 1, 2, 3 & 4. Our Lady of the Cape Primary School has a 'No Hat, No Play' rule for all students.
- All clothing is to be labelled in LARGE DARK LETTERS with a proper marking pen. This applies especially to HATS, TRACKSUITS & JUMPERS.
- There should be no mixing of the regulation uniform and sports uniform.





- Children are allowed to wear approved school jackets to school during Terms 2 and 3. *The school jumper MUST be worn under the jacket. The jacket is not in place of the school jumper.*
- All items of uniform must be purchased from the uniform shop excluding footwear. School socks and tights need to be purchased from the uniform shop so that colour and style remains constant.
- Sports socks (above ankle high, no low cut) are not to have coloured bands or logos.
- Boots are not part of the school uniform.

Sports uniform is to be worn on Fridays and one other day per week as nominated by the Principal at the beginning of the year.

KINDERGARTEN SCHOOL UNIFORM

The only optional item of school uniform is the polo shirt.
Kindergarten students should wear comfortable, practical and safe clothing suitable for a very active day.

HAIRSTYLES

In keeping with uniform standards, hairstyles should be conservative and neat. Fashion styles involving colour, very short cuts, undercuts, etc, are not acceptable.

Hairstyles need to conform to the following standards:

- Hair is to be clean, off the face and appropriately groomed and combed.
- Hair (for boys) is to be cut to collar length.
- For hygiene reasons, hair below collar length must be tied up with a school scrunchy or a black elastic band. No coloured hair accessories please.

JEWELLERY

The wearing of jewellery and other fashion enhancements is not permitted at Our Lady of the Cape for safety reasons. A watch and/or necklace with a Christian symbol may be worn.

- Only matching sleeper earrings or studs to be worn. One earring or stud of a matching pair to be worn in each ear. An earring in one ear only is not to be worn. No other body piercing is permitted.

No nail polish or makeup is allowed.





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OLC Uniform – Shoes Policy

Formal School Shoes with Winter and Summer School Uniform

Acceptable Shoes - Leather upper, tradition school shoe style

Examples



Not Acceptable – non-leather or flat, skate style of shoe

Examples



MANY HEARTS, ONE VOICE



OLC Uniform – Shoes Policy

Sports Shoes with Sports Uniform

Acceptable Shoes – Predominantly Black, Grey or White runner or cross-trainer style of shoe

Examples



Not Acceptable – multi-colour, fluoro or skate style of shoe (or fluoro laces)

- Example

