

Uniform Policy

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STATEMENT OF POLICY

St Francis Catholic School is committed to providing a sense of belonging through the wearing of the School uniform.

INTRODUCTION

This policy addresses the need to provide consistent and clear expectations for uniform and appearance. The St Francis uniform should be worn with pride on all occasions. It is the collective responsibility of all to ensure the following dress requirements are applied.

RATIONALE

The uniform identifies students as members and representatives of St Francis Catholic School. A consistent uniform dress code promotes a sense of belonging. Students are encouraged to develop important life skills through consideration of issues related to personal appearance including personal hygiene, health and safety issues. All students have a responsibility to be positive role models within the school and in representing the school in the wider community. The school uniform can be purchased from Michael's Menswear.

POLICY DIRECTIVE

The correct school uniform is to be worn at all times. If, for some reason, a student is unable to wear the correct uniform on a particular day, a note must be sent to the classroom teacher. Uniform items must be clearly marked with the child's name. All students must wear the school hat to school events including external sports.

Students are expected to ensure that their personal appearance meets school expectations as per the principles below. Students who do not comply with the uniform policy will receive a rectification of uniform notification through Compass.

The final decision on acceptable dress and appearance is that of the Principal.

Hairstyles

Hair should be:

- Neat and clean with no fashion extremes in styling or cut. This includes but is not limited to mullets and tracks. This will be at the discretion of the Principal or Assistant Principal.
- Off the face and tied back if shoulder length or longer.
- Natural colour.
- Ribbons, bands, headbands and scrunchies should be simple and understated in school dress fabric or in school colours of plain blue or red.

<u>Jewellery</u>

It is preferable that no jewellery be worn to school. However, if students do wear jewellery, please note that the school accepts no responsibility for lost or damaged items. Students may only wear:

- Religious symbol on chain
- Watch (no smart watches)
- Plain studs or plain sleepers in the ears only

Makeup and Fingernails

Makeup of any description is not permitted to be worn. Students are not permitted to wear nail polish or false nails such as acrylic nails. Fingernails should be clean and neatly trimmed.

Prep students require the sport uniform only.

Girls Uniform Formal Uniform Sport Uniform Year 1 - Year 6 Prep - Year 6 Blue check dress School sports polo - long or short Short blue socks sleeved Black shoes Royal blue school skort or embossed polyester shorts (no holey School hat shorts) Plain white socks (no ankle socks) Predominantly black or white sandshoes/joggers School hat

Plain navy blue or maroon jumper for winter. On colder days, students may wear navy blue tights.

Boys Uniform

Formal Uniform Year 1 - Year 6

- Blue jack shirt
- Navy blue shorts
- Long school socks
- Black shoes
- School hat

Sport Uniform Prep - Year 6

- School sports polo long or short sleeved
- Embossed polyester shorts (no holey shorts)
- Plain white socks (no ankle socks)
- Predominantly black or white sandshoes/joggers
- School hat

Plain navy blue or maroon jumper for winter. On colder days, students may wear navy blue tracksuit pants.







Footwear

Formal Uniform

Students must wear black shoes (leather shoes or joggers). No coloured trimmings.

Black laces

No ankle socks





Sports Uniform

Predominantly black or white joggers
Black or white laces only
No ankle socks



