UNIFORM POLICY

PURPOSE

The purpose of this policy is to clarify the best traditions of a Catholic School, maintain current safety and hygiene regulations acceptable in a school environment and embed a tradition of pride and belonging within our school community. This policy supports the concept of gender equity and the rules apply fully to both girls and boys.

POLICY FRAMEWORK

Students of Sacred Heart are expected to wear their uniform with pride. The uniform is designed to be comfortable and flexible all year round enabling students to alternate between items depending on weather conditions, but must be worn complete and correct at all times. Occasionally teachers may request specific uniform for events or outings but this will be communicated to families prior to the event. All items listed are available in the school uniform shop.

Should there be a transition of new uniform items, there will be adequate time and conditions to make this transition for both school and families. There will be no requirement to purchase new items at a specific time and should only be replaced as they are needed.

POLICY CONTENT

Girls
Plaid skirt or trousers, white short sleeve shirt, royal blue jumper, short white socks (no anklets) or navy stockings and black school shoes.

Boys
Grey trousers or shorts, white short sleeve shirt, royal blue jumper, short grey socks (no anklets) and black school shoes.

NOTE: Limited long sleeve shirts will be made available in the uniform shop for those that require them, although they are not part of the official formal uniform.

Sports Clothes
School track pants or navy shorts, polo shirt, rugby jumper, white socks (no anklets) and appropriate sports shoes (lace up or velcro).

Raincoats
School spray jackets are available from the uniform shop for wearing over the uniform while outside the classroom. It is not to be worn inside. If children have a jacket from home it is preferable that it be black, blue or red.
Hats
Hats are compulsory in first and third term as per the requirements of our Sunsmart policy. Children wear the navy bucket hat as supplied by the uniform shop.

School Bags
Sacred Heart school bags can be purchased from the uniform shop. Parents buying school bags or backpacks outside of the uniform shop are encouraged to buy blue ones and with adequate space for school requirements. All back packs must be worn with both straps over the shoulders.

While in school uniform the following standards apply to the wearing of accessories.

Hairstyles
Hair below the collar needs to be tied back with school coloured ribbons, scrunchies or bands. These items are usually available in the uniform shop. No hair should be shorter than what is commonly referred to as a number 2 hair cut. No colour or tips to be in the children’s hair. Gel to be used only as a means of hair control not for spikes, etc.

Earrings
Only one plain gold or silver stud or sleeper per ear is allowed. For safety reasons no other earrings or body piercings are permitted.

Watches
Children are permitted to wear a watch to school.

Rings
Only one signet ring per child is permitted.

Necklaces
Only permitted if the necklace is worn strictly under the uniform. Children can wear sacramental pendant outside the uniform for a reasonable time after celebrating First Eucharist and Confirmation.

Nail Polish
No coloured nail polish is permitted.

Bangles
No bracelets or bangles to be worn