## Uniform Guidelines

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## Uniform statement


#### Abstract

The school uniform is an important part of the School's culture and reflects the value we place on traditional standards of excellence whilst being innovative, creative and forward thinking. The appropriate uniform must be worn by students at all times when they are representing the School, this includes when travelling to and from school (including exeats) and when attending interschool functions or designated internal school functions such as plays or concerts.


Students are expected to wear their uniform in such a way as to show pride in being identified with the School. Australian and overseas boarders are not required to wear the School uniform when travelling to the homes of guardians or parents who reside outside of the city of Perth.

## Context

Students must wear the approved school uniform of the season during the school day, the school week and the school term.

These periods are defined as follows:

- The school day ends after students return to their Hall for boarders and for day students when they arrive home.
- The school week ends when those involved in school sport, whether as players, officials or spectators, have fulfilled their commitments (see also sports clothing general rules).
- The school term ends when students have arrived home.

Students should be aware that the appearance of the school uniform depends to a large extent upon how it is worn - its cleanliness, its fit, its state of repair and the bearing of its wearer.
a) shirts are properly tucked in
b) shorts, skirts and dresses are at the permitted length
c) shoes are polished
d) socks are worn to the appropriate height
e) footwear is worn at all times
f) black leather lace-up dress shoes are the only style permitted in Year 3-12. No sneaker or skater style shoes.
g) velcro, predominantly white trainers are worn in Kindergarten to Year 2.


## Guiding principles

## Kindgergarten - Year 2

- The uniform has been designed to maximise student comfort and encourage active learning and play.
- Students are permitted to wear items from the Kindergarten - Year 2 uniform list across the school year.
- Bucket hats are compulsory and a No Hat No Play policy is strictly applied.


## Years 3-12

- Winter uniform is compulsory for Terms 2 and 3.
- Summer uniform is compulsory for Terms 1 and 4, although Year 12 students may wear winter uniform in Term 4.
- Students in Year 3-6 are required to wear their blazers every Friday during the winter terms and on formal occasions. For students in Year 7-12, blazers must be worn to and from school, at Parade, Assembly and formal events as instructed in Term 2 and 3
- Students may wear school knitwear as well, but not instead of, the navy blazer. Students may take their blazers off whilst at school.
- Senior School students may be allowed to remove ties on very hot days at the discretion of the School Captains and Deputy Head of Senior School. Preparatory School students may be allowed to remove ties on very hot days at the discretion of the Head of Preparatory School.
- Formal uniform with the school tie is required when representing the School and for certain special occasions.
- In wet weather, students are permitted either to wear a black or blue raincoat, or to carry a black or school umbrella. In the interests of safety, students cycling to school may wear a yellow raincoat.
- The school cap may be worn with the sports uniform in Senior School. It must be worn properly and may only be worn outside.
- Broad-brimmed hats are compulsory in Preparatory School.
- The formal broad-brimmed hat in the Senior School is optional but encouraged with the academic uniform.
- At various times throughout a student's secondary schooling they may receive additional ties which relate to sporting involvement, tours and the like. These ties are not to be worn as part of the school uniform. The only ties permissible to be worn other than the House tie or School tie is the Honour tie or Prefect tie.


## Everyone

- Only approved school bags and backpacks purchased from the Clothing Shop are to be used by students to carry requirements to and from school.
- Only the approved school book satchel may be used to carry books between classes (Senior School). Students are permitted to bring their own computer bag which can be a sleeve or satchel - no backpacks.
- All uniform items with the exception of school and sports shoes are available in the Clothing Shop.
- All uniform items must be clearly named to facilitate the return of lost property clothing to the right students.


## Summer and Winter

## Summer - Term 1 and 4

- Navy knitwear is unisex and students can chose which items they wish to wear
- Shirts must be tucked in at all times
- Ties are worn with shorts and shirts. Either the tie or cross tie can be worn with the top button done up
- Summer dresses are to be worn fully buttoned and are to sit no less than 2 cm above the knee
- House pins are to be worn with summer dresses, not ties
- Navy-trimmed white school socks are to be worn with the summer dress
- Grey school socks are to be worn with shorts for all students
- Formal hats can be worn in summer in the Senior School with the academic uniform. Caps are only worn with the sports uniform


## Winter - Term 2 and 3

- In the Senior School, blazers must be worn to and from school each day, at Chapel, Congo, Assembly and formal events as instructed in Term 2 and 3
- Students in Year 3-6 are required to wear blazers every Friday for Assembly and Chapel, and formal events as instructed in Term 2 and 3. Whilst not required, blazers can also be worn during the school week
- Navy knitwear is unisex and students can chose which items they wish to wear
- Shirts must be tucked in at all times
- Ties (tie or cross tie) must be worn with the top button done up
- Skirt length must be no more than 2 cm above the knee
- Navy tights or long navy socks are to be worn with a skirt
- Trousers and shorts must be well fitted and not tight
- Grey school socks are to be worn with trousers and shorts for all students
- Hats can be worn in winter.



## General student appearance

## Hair and make-up

- All students are to have natural, neat and clean hair. Hair may be either:
- Short (not extend beyond the collar at the back or beyond the eyebrows at the front) or
- Long (below the collar in which case it must be tied back with neutral, white or navy elastics and/or navy headbands or navy and white ribbons. Hair that falls forwards towards the eyes or face, regardless of length must be tied back.
- Students are not permitted to attend school with novelty or extreme hairstyles e.g. mullets or shaved sections.
- It is to be noted that, in matters of hairstyle, the School remains the final arbiter.
- Students must be clean shaven.
- Noticeable make-up is not permitted.
- No nail extensions, artificial nails or coloured nail polish is permitted.


## Jewellery

- With the exception of wristwatches and medical alerts, no item of jewellery may be worn at any time as part of the School dress or for sport.
- Students may wear a small single gold or silver stud or sleeper in each ear lobe only (no coloured stones are permitted).
- Certain symbols of religious or special significance may be permitted at the discretion of the respective Deputy Head of School. If permitted, this must be worn under the uniform.


## Tattoos

- No visible tattoos are permitted at any time.


## Undergarments

- Underwear should not be visible under the academic or sports uniform. Skin-toned or white underwear is recommended.
- Students wearing dresses are required to wear navy boyleg briefs or bike shorts, for active play.


## Sport uniform

## General rules

- During any normal school day, Senior School students wear PE uniform to PE classes only. Senior School students are not permitted to wear PE clothes to any other classes. This applies to the Senior School only. Prep School students will be advised by their classroom teacher on what uniform to wear each day and when changes are required.
- Appropriate sporting shoes are to be worn, these should include a non-marking sole.
- Students are not to wear casual skate/ surf style shoes (e.g. Vans). Shoes must be designed for sporting use.
- Velcro trainers are acceptable up to and including Year 2.
- It is recommended that appropriately fitting, sport specific bras are worn by senior students, where applicable. More information on sport bra selection can be found online at thewell-hq.com.


## Training

1. Students must train in appropriate school uniform items.
2. Alternative club jumpers and assorted clothing is not permitted.
3. Students who are in doubt as to the suitability of a particular item of sports clothing should consult the Director of Sport, TIC or Coach of the relevant sport.

## Mouthguards

Students who play contact sports are strongly recommended to wear a professional, custommade mouthguard. These can give protection against oral injuries and concussion. Due to the growth changes of children's mouths, a mouthguard may only fit accurately for one season and, like footwear, should be reviewed annually. Orthodontists will advise of the appropriate protection for students undergoing orthodontic treatment. This cost of custommade mouthguards can be claimed from Private Health Insurance and the rebate is generous.

## Sun protection

During summer, students doing sport or PE outdoors must wear the appropriate hat or cap and use $30^{+}$sunscreen.

## Drink container

Every student must have an individually labelled container for drink during sports fixtures. This requirement is necessary for reasons of hygiene.

## Interschool matches

Students who are selected in school teams must wear the listed sports uniform which should be kept in good condition.


## Sport uniform

## Travelling

Preparatory School students in Year 4-6 wear sports uniform (with navy polo) to and from school on Thursdays and when travelling to represent the School in any sporting activity. This includes full school tracksuit in Term 2 and 3.

Senior School students returning home by public or private transport after weekday sports training wear either the uniform of the day or the core sports uniform with sports shoes. This includes the full school tracksuit in Term 2 and 3.

Senior School swimmers must wear the swimming competition polo shirt or warm-up top and track suit pants with sports shoes.

When travelling home, students are not permitted to wear singlets or casual footwear such as Birkenstocks or Crocs.

For interschool sport, the following dress regulations apply:

1. School uniform of the season or
2. School crested tracksuit with sports shoes must be worn when travelling to fixtures for all winter sports as well as rowing, swimming, and water polo; or:
3. Sport uniform with blazer (1st teams only where appropriate to the sport).
4. Student officials must wear the appropriate sports dress.
5. Spectators at Friday afternoon fixtures must wear the school uniform of the day, but at Saturday fixtures they may wear neat casual clothes.

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