

SCHOOL UNIFORM POLICY

A place of ...

Welcome, Love and Truth

Spirited by our Catholic faith and in partnership with parents, parish and the wider community, we are committed to providing a high-quality, holistic and contemporary education for our students.

We respond to the message of St Luke the Evangelist, by being a welcoming and inclusive school community, as part of the Noarlunga/Seaford Parish.

We acknowledge the writing of St John the Apostle, God is Love (1 Jn 4:8), by striving to love one another as God loves us.

We continue the tradition of St Dominic, by seeking truth and justice through lifelong learning and prayerful reflection.

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Acknowledgement of Country

We acknowledge that we are working, learning and worshipping on the traditional country of the Kaurna people of the Adelaide Plains. We recognise and respect their cultural heritage, beliefs and relationship with the land. We acknowledge that they are of continuing importance to the Kaurna people living today.

1 Purpose

The purpose of this policy is to articulate the policy position of the St John the Apostle Parish School (St John's) regarding the wearing of the school uniform. The School Board believes that a dress code provides a common ground for all parents and students. It also eliminates possible conflict over what to wear or buy and assists in the prevention of discrimination based on dress. Elements of the school uniform are also incorporated for reasons of safety (e.g., no dangling earrings) and respectability.

2 Scope of Policy

This policy applies to all students.

3 Policy

It is the policy of St John's that all students will wear the correct uniform as outlined in the School Uniform Procedure Document. From time to time the School Board may approve a casual clothes day where the uniform may not be worn. The school will respect cultural and religious beliefs when implementing the policy.

When ambiguity arises with respect to the dress code the principal will determine if hair stye, jewellery and manner of dress is consistent with the principles underlying the school's ethos.

The School Board will determine the supplier of the school uniform.

4 Definitions

School Uniform – the dress code approved by the School Board Educators – parents, carers and staff

5 Responsibility for implementation, monitoring and continuous improvement

Responsibility for implementation, monitoring and review of the policy is vested at the level appropriate to the following roles:

- Principal
- Assistant Principal
- APRIM
- Teachers

6 Revision Record

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7 Related Documentation, Links and Resources

The following documents, links and resources are to be read in conjunction with this document. In order to ensure contemporary practice our procedural documents will be online.

• School Uniform Procedure Document