SCHOOL UNIFORM POLICY

A correct uniform is an explicit term of enrolment at Sacred Heart and must be worn during school hours and when engaged in school activities and functions out of school hours inclusive. It is our belief that wearing the correct school uniform as a unity enhances the student’s self-esteem and the school’s respected image as well as developing a child’s sense of belonging within our school community. The careful selection of our school uniform contributes to the students’ health and safety, taking into consideration personal, social and cultural factors. In addition, from a duty of care perspective, it provides a measure of security whilst on school excursions.

We appreciate that sometimes your child may be unable to wear all or some of their uniform on a short term basis. If this occurs, a brief note or phone call to the office is expected.

Students who are not in compliance with the School Uniform Policy will be issued with an Incorrect School Uniform Note which needs to be completed and signed by a Parent and returned to the school.

If for health reasons, a student is unable to wear the correct uniform, parents are required to schedule a time with the School Principal to discuss the matter.

Our uniform consists of the following items:

**Girls:** A checked dress with extended shoulder line and dropped waist with two inverted pleats, or Red Polo Shirt, Black Micro-Fibre shorts which are available from school or black skirt or skorts. (Please wear red shirt and black shorts or skirt for Sporting Activities).

**Boys:** Red Polo Shirt and Black Micro-Fibre shorts which are available from school or black Stubbies type shorts available from Big W, Coles, K-Mart, Target, Best & Less and Lowes.

*All shorts are to be above the knees, not at or below.*

*No other shorts are acceptable.*

*Tights and visible bike pants or compression clothing is not acceptable.*

**Footwear:** All children are to wear *plain black leather upper school shoes.* These may be the hard School Uniform Policy 2016
top traditional style or the “Lynx” type shoe - but may not be adorned with stripes, logos etc. Due to Work Health and Safety Requirements, slip on shoes, baby doll styles (which expose the top of the foot) and canvas Volley type shoes are not acceptable. Sandals and high heels are also not acceptable.

Plain white socks without writing or logos are to be worn. Sports shoes (which must be predominately black) may only be worn on days where children participate in PE lessons.

Hats: It is compulsory for the black broad brimmed hat (available from school) to be worn at all times on the playground, oval etc. and recommended that it be worn to and from school if walking in the sun. The hat is consistent with our SunSmart Policy. Hats are not to be worn inside.

Jumper: During the cooler periods of the year, a plain red fleecy pullover is permitted as are plain red fleecy track suit pants. The pullover can be purchased from the school office.

Jewellery and Make Up: Watches and earrings may be worn (studs or sleepers only and no more than one earring per ear is permitted). Crosses or crucifixes may be worn. Painted fingernails, toenails, make up and bright coloured, dyed hair is not permitted.

In all cases the Principal reserves the right to determine the appropriateness or otherwise of any item of clothing or grooming matter.

Our school operates a uniform shop which stocks most of our uniform requirements. The uniform shop is open during school office hours.

Signed:_________________________ Date: ___________ Signed:_________________________

Board Chair Principal

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