Corpus Christi Catholic School
Bellerive

School Uniform & Personal Appearance Policy

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RATIONALE

Children attending the School should wear the approved school uniform, and comply with expected attire and personal presentation standards, unless exempted from doing so by the Principal on designated days and for exceptional reasons. The school uniform identifies students as belonging to Corpus Christi Catholic School and is part of the proud history of our School. It has evolved over time to continually meet the challenges and opportunities presented by progress and change. The uniform is a highly visible symbol that has been designed to reflect the ethos of our School whilst fulfilling practical, educational and representational requirements. It instils a recognisable sense of pride, equality and community in our students and is a valuable tool to encourage respect and responsibility.

AIMS

The School believes that a clearly stated and sensibly implemented policy is important for the following reasons.

• To provide a focus and a sense of identity for students attending the School
• To provide an opportunity for parents and staff to instil in the children a sense of pride in their appearance which is an important Christian ethic.
• To prevent excesses in fashion trends.
• To provide an economic means of clothing children for school.

PROCEDURES

• The Principal is empowered to implement the approved Uniform and Personal Appearance Policy and in doing so may grant exception to a child from wearing all or part of the uniform for a designated period of time.
• An explanatory note from parents is required to be sent to the Principal and Class Teacher if a child is not wearing the correct school uniform.
• The uniform does not have summer/winter restrictions (see attached requirements).
• Sports shoes are not to be worn to and from school unless part of the Physical Education Uniform.
• Students are only to have regulation school bags.
• If students are in public places while in school uniform (e.g. shopping after school) the full correct uniform must be worn (including school shoes).
• The Uniform Shop provides a service for parents by stocking all items of the approved school uniform, except for shoes and sports shoes, at minimum possible prices.
• A Facebook page has been established by parents to sell second hand uniform items to others in our school community.
• All members of school staff are conscious of their role in implementing this policy by setting an example in their own neatness and appropriateness of dress and by ensuring that children are neatly attired when participating in any school activity.
• All items of clothing must be clearly and permanently labelled with student’s name.
• Students are to wear the correct school uniform with pride.
• School hats are to be worn in accordance with the School’s Sun Protection Policy.
• Beanies, neck scarves, gloves are allowed during colder months but may only be the approved school items available from the Uniform Shop.

Jewellery Guidelines

Acceptable forms of jewellery may include one or more of the following.

• One set of small, plain gold or silver stud earrings, which are worn in the lower earlobes.
• Students may wear the schoolwide expectation wrist bands with ‘Respect, Believe, Achieve’.
• A watch.
The following items are not permitted: nail polish, makeup, and anklets and friendship bands.

All jewellery is to be removed by students before playing in school sports teams and prior to participating in competitive physical educational activities. In general, this would not include weekly physical education classes.

**Hair Guidelines**

- Hair is to be clean, neat and tidy at all times.
- Hair of shoulder length or longer is to be worn tied back as a health and safety measure.
- Hair styles should not obstruct vision in any way.
- Ribbons, clips, bands, ties, scrunchies, etc are to be of school colours – red, bottle and green or school fabric. Hair bands in school colours and fabric are available from the School Uniform Shop.
- Unusual or extreme haircuts, hair colours or multi-colouring are not acceptable.

**SCHOOL UNIFORM REQUIREMENTS**

**Early Years Students (Kindergarten – Grade 2)**

- Early Years students wear the sport uniform consisting of either shorts or trackpants, with the polo top and the rugby top.
- The rugby top is a compulsory item.
- The red polar fleece is optional, which can be worn over the rugby jumper, but not instead of.
- Early Years students transition to the formal school uniform in Grade 3.
- Sports shoes suitable for physical activities. Flat-soled shoes, similar to Volley’s or Van’s are not suitable sports shoes for school.
- White anklet/crew socks.

**Primary Students (Grades 3 – 6)**

**Shoes**

- Boys - plain black, polishable shoes, with laces or velcro.
- Girls - plain black, polishable shoes, with laces, buckle or velcro.
- Sport shoes suitable for physical activities. Flat-soled shoes, similar to Volley’s or Van’s are not suitable sports shoes for school.

**Formal Uniform**

The *school jumper (or cardigan for girls)* is a compulsory item.

**Girls**

- Tartan skirt with either short/long sleeved shirts (with school logo) and either white socks or black stockings.
- Tartan trousers with either short/long sleeved shirts (with school logo) and black anklet/crew socks.
- Summer dress with white anklet/crew socks.

**Boys**

- Grey trousers with either short/long sleeved shirts (with school logo) and grey socks.
- Grey shorts with either short/long sleeved shirts (with school logo) and grey socks.

**Sport Uniform**

- The sport uniform consists of either shorts or trackpants (with school logo) with the polo top and rugby top.
- The *rugby top is compulsory*. 
• Sport uniform is to be worn on days when specific activities occur as detailed below. On all other occasions, students are to wear their formal uniform of choice.
  o **Excursions** - On most occasions, excursions are of an informal nature and the sport uniform will be worn. Advice of specific clothing requirements is included on each excursion notice that is sent home to parents.
  o **Camps/Gr. 6 Canberra Trip** - Details of clothing requirements are included on the camp notices that are sent home to parents.
  o **“Special” Occasions** - From time to time there may be an activity or event for which it is deemed appropriate that students wear their sport uniform. In instances such as this, parents will be provided with written advice.
  o **Specific Lessons/Activities** – For example, Drama or Sport lessons and Grade 5/6 Winter Sport Activities (Netball/Football).

The **polar fleece is an optional item** and can be worn over the school jumper/cardigan or rugby top. It is **not a substitute for the compulsory jumper/cardigan or rugby top**.

**HOW DO WE MAKE THIS POLICY WORK?**

Sensible adherence to this policy is the responsibility of everyone in the school community. Parents, guardians, carers, staff and students themselves, all have a role to play in making it work.

**POLICY REVIEW**

This Policy will be reviewed as part of the School’s policy review cycle and not less than every three years..

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