



# St Peter's Catholic Primary School Uniform & Appearance Guidelines

## PURPOSE

These guidelines have been written to support St Peter's Uniform Policy which states that St Peter's wishes to foster a community where equality and dignity are upheld and the school uniform is an outward expression of this.

St Peter's Catholic Primary School has a prescribed uniform that is to be worn each day of attendance or when representing the school within the wider community. It is the expectation that this uniform be worn in its entirety and of a standard that promotes the values of the school community. Excepts to this may include free dress days, sports carnivals and special events at school

This Uniform Policy is consistent with health and safety considerations and anti-discrimination legislation. Student dress codes clearly explain and document standards of acceptable or reasonable dress in relation to clothing worn by students, including headwear, footwear and other aspects of personal presentation of students.

Student dress codes incorporate strategies to accommodate special needs and circumstances of students and strategies for managing non-complying students. A student's non-compliance with the school's student dress code requirements may entail disciplinary consequences.

## KEY COMPONENTS OF THESE GUIDELINES

St Peter's has a Uniform Policy to help promote the values of belonging, equity, justice, respect and pride within the school community. The need for belonging and community is at the core of human experience. We recognise that wearing the school uniform contributes in a meaningful way to the creation of a strong sense of identity, equality and unity in faith.

## WHO IS INVOLVED?

### LEADERSHIP TEAM

- Ongoing monitoring of the school's uniform to ensure it is meeting required regulatory standards.
- Working with staff and parents to effectively apply the Uniform Guidelines.
- Enforcing consequences when required and informing parents.
- Work with families if variations to the application of the policy are required due to cultural, religious, financial or personal needs.

### STAFF

- Work with the Leadership Team and parents to effectively apply the Uniform Guidelines.
- Enforcing consequences when required and informing parents.
- The school community will recognise and accept individual situations as determined by the school's Leadership Team.

## PARENTS

- Supporting the Uniform Policy and Guidelines by working with their children and staff to reach the desired outcomes.
- Reinforce consistent expectations at home in regards to correct uniform and neat appearance.
- The school community will recognise and accept individual situations as determined by the school's Leadership Team.
- Show goodwill towards the process.

## STUDENTS

- Wear the school uniform in its entirety (including hat) each day.
- Wear the correct uniforms on the right days.
- Take pride in their general appearance.
- Demonstrate a commitment to working with parents and staff to uphold the Uniform Guidelines.

## UNIFORM DETAILS

The formal school uniform is worn on Mondays to Thursdays and the sports uniform on Fridays. Students are expected to wear their sports uniform on their class HPE day.

**GIRL'S UNIFORM:** Formal Dress or Formal Shirt and Culottes  
Culottes: Ink navy

**BOY'S UNIFORM:** Formal Shirt and Shorts  
Shorts: Long legged stubbies or ruggers (Ink navy)

**WINTER:** Plain, ink navy jumper/pullover/tracksuit worn over uniform  
A jumper with the school emblem is available for purchase from Wearitto.



**SPORTS:** Polo Shirt: Teal, navy, red, yellow with house name and stripes woven into the collar.  
Shorts: Navy unisex sports shorts with St Peter's embroidered on the leg.

**PREP STUDENTS:** St Peter's Prep shirt and sports shorts or ink navy shorts or culottes

## ALL

### Shoes:

Formal Uniform - Black lace up or velcro – preferably leather or plain black joggers of the imitation type (no mesh, no canvas, no high ankle and no colouring other than black).

Sports Uniform - Black lace up or velcro joggers of the imitation type (no mesh, no canvas, no high ankle and no colouring other than black).



**Socks:** St Peter's uniform socks – available from Wearitto

**Hat:** Available from Wearitto

**Hair accessories:** Formal: Teal, navy and white ribbons, hair ties or head bands  
Sports: Navy, red, yellow and teal ribbons, hair ties or head bands

## STUDENT'S APPEARANCE

Students need to present themselves in a neat, tidy and groomed manner when attending school.

### HAIR

- No eccentric haircuts, no tracks, no hair colouring permitted.
- Girls hair below shoulder length requires tying back.
- Boys hair length must be above the collar and no shorter than number 2 cut.

For minor breaches (hair not tied back, un-kept hair), staff will remind students of the school's expectation and parents may be informed. If repeated breaches are made, processes for consequences will be the same as wearing the incorrect uniform. If a student presents themselves at school with hair that is deemed extreme the Principal may exclude the student from school until it can be rectified by the family.

**NAIL POLISH AND STICK ON TATTOOS** are to be removed before school.

If students present themselves at school with such markings staff will ask students to remove them overnight. If they remain or there are repeated breaches, processes for consequences will be the same as wearing the incorrect uniform.

### JEWELLERY

Children are discouraged from wearing jewellery due to safety reasons. They are permitted to wear;

- a watch
- plain studs or sleepers for pierced ears
- a necklace with a religious symbol
- Signet ring.

If students are wearing additional accessories staff will ask them to be removed. If repeated breaches are made, processes for consequences will be the same as wearing the incorrect uniform.

## **UNIFORM SUPPLIERS**

Our uniforms are available from Wearitto in Denham Street. The school also maintains a second hand uniform supply which is operated by volunteers at various times throughout the year. It is stocked with donated uniforms or unclaimed lost property.

## **CONSEQUENCES OF NOT WEARING CORRECT UNIFORM**

If a student is temporarily unable to wear an element of the school uniform, an explanation is required by a family member via note, e-mail or phone the school. Repeated unexplained non adherence with the guidelines will be followed up by a member of the Leadership Team.

Non explained breaches of the Uniform Guidelines will result in the student missing play times. This will continue until the student complies with the Uniform Policy or a valid explanation by a family member is given.

If a staff member has to repeatedly enforce consequences parents will be informed and the Principal notified. Further breaches may result in student suspension.

If it is deemed that the family is not supportive of St Peter's Uniform Policy or Guidelines a meeting with the Principal will be required to determine if partnership between the school and home is workable under the circumstances.