



Our Lady of Mt Carmel School Mullewa

SCHOOL UNIFORM POLICY

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RATIONALE

The school uniform is to be worn to promote a sense of belonging, pride of self and pride of the school. The school uniform also promotes positive habits of health and safety. These incorporate the risk of sunburn, colds, bites from snakes and spiders, cleanliness and care of one's self.

PRINCIPLES

- Full school uniform is compulsory.
- The School Sports uniform is to be worn during sporting activities.
- The wearing of the school hat is compulsory, in line with promoting the school's Sun Safe message.
- Enclosed shoes, in the form of black school shoes are to be worn for any outdoor activity which warrants this protection. This is at the teachers' and Principal's discretion.
- Teachers are to encourage the students to wear the school uniform.
- Teachers are responsible for notifying parents about issues concerning a child's uniform through the School Uniform Notice.
- Hair that hangs lower than the collar (on both boys and girls) must be tied up securely.
- Assistance will be given to enable a student to wear the school uniform.

PROCEDURES

- If a student does not have the correct uniform, the class teacher speaks with the child.
- A prescribed note in the form of the School Uniform Notice (see Teachers' Handbook) is sent home to the parents in the communication book if a child does not have the correct uniform.
- If a family appears to be having difficulty in complying with the School Uniform Policy, the Principal is to be notified. The family will be contacted and the issue resolved in an appropriate pastoral manner.
- If students are not wearing a hat, there is no play for them. ie No Hat! No Play! Students will also be recorded in the playground duty book. This is in line with the Sun Safe message that is promoted throughout the school. Some outdoor excursions will also be suspended if a child is unable to produce a school hat.
- Where an excursion or activity for a particular class warrants the wearing of school shoes on days other than when students would normally be wearing them ie. during winter and on sports days, the class teacher is to inform parents through the communication books or if appropriate, in the form of a letter.
- Students may choose to wear school shorts during winter, rather than tracksuit pants. If so, they must still wear black school shoes, not sandals. On colder days during summer, if students choose to wear school tracksuit pants, they must wear black school shoes, rather than sandals. Sandals are only to be worn if the child is wearing school shorts.
- Uniforms are to be purchased through the school office during uniform hours. Parents are to be informed of the hours of opening through the school newsletter at the commencement of each new term. Parents are also able to order uniforms by requesting an order form through the

communication book. Orders will then be sent home with the child on the next uniform shop day.

- Tracksuits, polo shirts, girl's shorts, school hats, sports T-Shirts and sports shorts are to be purchased from the school office.

Girl's Summer Uniform

Blue polo shirt with school crest. Navy Blue shorts.

Girl's Sports Uniforms

Team colour polo shirt with school crest. School sports shorts. Black joggers.

Boy's Summer Uniform

Blue polo shirt with school crest. Grey shorts.

Boy's Sports Uniform

Team colour polo shirt with school crest. School sport shorts. Black joggers.

Girl's and Boy's Winter Uniform

Blue polo shirt with school crest. Navy Blue tracksuit - jumper to have school crest.

Footwear

All Black shoes/joggers with white socks (girls) and grey socks (boys). (No black pull on work boots)

Brown Sandals. (No masseurs or bare feet).

Hair Styles

Neat and tidy – hair below collar must be tied up with a blue ribbon or elastic. Parent cooperation is requested.

Jewellery

For safety reasons, only the following are permitted.

- Earrings – studs only.
- Watch.
- No nail polish or rings.
- A simple crucifix or religious medal and chain may be worn under the school uniform.