UNIFORM POLICY

School Board Policy Number Nine
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Endorsed: __________________________

Review: __________________________

Signed: __________________________
       (Chairperson)

Signed: __________________________
       (Principal)
Philosophical Basis

Our School Vision Statement identifies our school’s role in promoting the self-esteem of all people and encouraging self-discipline. Our uniform policy aims to:
- Promote a strong sense of identity as belonging to the St Brigid’s Catholic Primary School community.
- Nurture personal and school pride.
- Minimize competition/peer pressure amongst students by providing a standard dress code.
- Provide justice and equity to all students regardless of parental income.
- Support parents in making it simple to choose clothes for school that are functional for school activities and are not a fashion statement.
- Develop a sense of discipline and responsibility in children.

Mandatory Provisions

The School Board wishes to stress that when you enroll your child at St Brigid’s Catholic School you agree to comply with the expectations of the school uniform.

The Board can appreciate when a uniform may need repair or can be subjected to last minute accidents. This situation can be easily accounted for with a simple note of explanation from parents or guardian to the teachers. This action would prevent any further embarrassment. Simply, if your child does not have the correct uniform because of financial difficulties, you are requested to contact the Principal so that assistance can be provided.

School staff will continually monitor the uniform standards and ensure compliance.

In the event of any breach of the School Uniform Policy, the School Board has demanded that the following action be taken:
1. If a child is temporarily in the incorrect uniform but brings an explanatory note, no further action will be taken. Any long term problems which do not allow the correct school uniform to be worn should be addressed to the school board.
2. Any blatant non compliance/disregard for the uniform policy will be addressed at the first instance by the Principal and if necessary by the School Board.
3. If a child is in the incorrect uniform and no explanatory note is accompanying, these steps will be taken:

Procedure

1. The teacher will speak to the student about the problem.
2. A second offence will result in a standard note being forwarded to the parents from the teacher requesting that this matter be corrected.
3. A third offence will result in a telephone call from the Principal to the parents. At the discretion of the Principal the parents may be requested to bring the correct uniform to school or the parent will give the child permission to go home and change into the correct uniform.
4. Any subsequent offence will be dealt with by the School Board. The School Board will arrange an interview with the family in an endeavour to seek an explanation as to why they are not cooperating with the school policy.

The Principal and Staff have been advised to enforce this policy.

Bases of Discretion

If health/injury/physical conditions prevent children from complying with the Uniform Policy a note must be presented to the Principal. In some instances, a certificate from a medical practitioner may be required.

The Year Seven students are entitled to wear a commemorative jumper which signifies their role as leaders within our school.

Resources

St Brigid’s Catholic Primary School will employ a School Uniform Shop Manager who will be responsible for purchasing and selling the required school uniform items. They will be responsible for coordinating a Uniform Committee who will meet regularly to address uniform related matters and provide feedback to the School Board.

Evaluation

It is expected that the UNIFORM POLICY will be reviewed on a regular basis.

It is anticipated that this will occur every third year.

Appendix

- St Brigid’s Catholic Primary School Uniform Schedule
- St Brigid’s Catholic Primary School Uniform Price List