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| **APPENDIX 14**  **UNIFORM POLICY**  **CREEKSIDE K-9 COLLEGE** | | |
| **Last Ratified by School Council** | **Review Date** | **Responsible for Review** |
| Sept 2017 | Sept 2020 | School Council |

**Rationale**

The compulsory Creekside College school uniform develops in students care in their personal appearance and allows them to be recognised as belonging to the college community. Uniform also contributes to the development of pride in representing the college. Uniform promotes equality and safety and the clothing is selected to be durable, cost effective and practical for the college environment.

**Aims**

1. All students will wear full uniform every day. Uniform must be worn to and from school, at lunch time and recess, and on school excursions.
2. To develop in the children a sense of pride in their school.
3. To encourage uniformity and aid identification of our children by the implementation of a modern and functional uniform.
4. To promote equality and remove competition between children in regard to fashion items of clothing.

**Implementation**

* 1. The wearing of school uniform is compulsory.
  2. Students may be granted an exemption by written application to the Principal (see section “Exemptions from Wearing School Uniform”).
  3. Parents/Guardians are expected to provide a written explanation to the class teacher on days when their child/children are not wearing school uniform.
  4. All uniform items should be clearly marked with the child’s name.
  5. The only headwear that is acceptable are SunSmart hats supplied as part of the School Uniform. They must be worn in Terms 1 and 4 from Prep – Year 6. Hats are available from the supplier. It is recommended that students in Years 7 – 9 wear the hat through Terms 1 & 4 also.
  6. Hair accessories must be in school colours – navy or royal blue. Long hair to be tied back
  7. Scarves may be worn in winter – navy or royal blue only.
  8. Leggings and tights are not to be worn with the summer dress. ONLY navy blue or black tights to be worn with the winter skirt. Girls are only permitted to wear the school endorsed pants.
  9. At Years P-6, all black shoes (e.g. traditional school orrunner etc.) suitable for general school activity are compulsory. These students may wear a sport shoe of any colour for the day of PE classes. At Years 7-9, students must wear black, traditional school shoes, which are leather or have a ‘leather look.’
  10. Jewellery is limited to a watch and ear studs or sleepers. Other visible piercings are to be covered with flesh coloured tape.
  11. Hair – tips and highlights are permitted; extreme colours are discouraged (i.e pink, blue, orange etc.)
  12. Temporary body art is not permitted.
  13. No makeup is to be worn and only clear nail polish.
  14. The school highly recommends ALL Year 9 students to purchase the College- designed graduation top.
  15. To minimise the risk of back injury to students, it is recommended that parents select school bags that are endorsed by an Australian professional organisation such as the Australian Physiotherapy Association or the Chiropractor’s’ Association of Australia. Navy blue bags are available from the uniform supplier.
  16. Middle year’s students are encouraged to wear the school tie.
  17. Dresses and skirts are not to be any shorter than 12cms above the knee.
  18. Uniforms must be purchased from the approved supplier, Dobsons Uniform Pty Ltd.

**School Uniform Exemption**

* 1. School Council may grant an exemption from wearing the school uniform where the parent/guardian of a student makes a written application to the Principal. The application shall set out the grounds for the request for exemption. The grounds for exemption may be health, religious or hardship reasons.
  2. The Principal shall, at the first available meeting of the School Council, present for approval all recommendations for exemption. Maximum confidentiality of students and families will be maintained.
  3. Student Voice representatives may recommend to School Council up to four (4) uniform free days per year, i.e. one (1) per term. Funds raised from uniform free days will be used by the Student Voice to provide equipment, facilities for pupil’s use or for an approved charity.

**Out of Uniform Procedures**

* 1. If circumstances prevail such that a student is unable to wear school uniform on any given day, parents/guardians should communicate this to the class/homeroom teacher in writing indicating the likely duration that the student will be without a particular garment of uniform.
  2. Pending no written explanation, the child will be requested to wear the uniform or provide a note of explanation the next school day.
  3. If the school uniform is not worn and there is still no explanatory note, the Homegroup Teacher shall contact the parents/guardians to discuss the matter. This will graduate to Leading Teacher/ Principal contact, if there is continued non- compliance.

**Uniform Supplier**

School Council enters into a Uniform Contract with an approved supplier. Uniform items can be purchased via the Retail Outlet controlled by the approved supplier.

The uniform working party of the School Council will meet on a needs basis each year to look at the overall organization of the uniform sales, new items of clothing and any changes that may occur in relation to the supply of uniforms.

Recommendations of this sub-committee will be brought to full School Council for further discussion/ratification.

**School Uniform.**

All uniform items *must* be purchased from the approved supplier.

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|  | **Summer Uniform (Term 1 and Term 4)** | |
| **Prep to Year 6** | **Year 7-9** |
| **Girls** | * Summer dress with piping * Pullover * Polo shirt * Sport short * Rugby top * White, grey, navy or black socks * School approved navy hat | * Summer dress with piping * Pullover * White, grey, navy or black socks * School approved navy hat (optional) * Summer grey short * Short sleeved shirt |
| **Boys** | * Polo shirt * Sport short * Rugby top * Navy blue sock * School approved navy hat | * Grey summer short * Short sleeved shirt * Pullover * White, grey, navy or black socks * School approved navy hat (optional) |

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|  | **Winter Uniform (Term 2 and Term 3)** | |
| **Prep to Year 6** | **Year 7-9** |
| **Girls** | * Winter pinafore or skirt * Blue long sleeved shirt * Pullover * Track pant * Polo shirt * Rugby top * White, grey, navy or black socks * Black/Navy tights * Academic Jacket | * Winter skirt * Blue long sleeved shirt * Pullover * School tie * Grey trouser * Academic Jacket * White, grey, navy or black socks * Black/Navy tight |
| **Boys** | * Polo shirt * Rugby top * Academic jacket * Track pant * White, grey, navy or black socks | * Long sleeve blue shirt * School tie * Pullover * Grey winter trouser * Academic jacket * White, grey, navy or black socks |

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|  | **Sport Uniform**  *(P-6 Students to wear the sport uniform on the PE day)* | |
| **Prep to Year 6** | **Year 7-9** |
| **All students** | * Polo shirt * Sport short or track pants * Rugby top * White, grey, navy or black socks | * Polo shirt * Sport short or track pants * Rugby top * White, grey, navy or black socks |