St Francis of Assisi Primary School
Calwell ACT
School Uniform and Student Appearance Policy
2013

Vision Statement

St Francis of Assisi Catholic Primary School is a Christ-centred learning environment, which respects and nurtures the uniqueness of all.

Through a community characterised by commitment, celebration, service, support, compassion and justice, each individual is challenged to reach his or her potential and develop an awareness of the sacredness and interconnectedness of all life.

Rationale

A school uniform is an integral part of the identity of a school. It helps foster a sense of community and of belonging. It encourages pride in appearance and in school. The wearing of the correct uniform provides a starting point for self-discipline. Student appearance is also important in fostering an ethos of respect, unity and equity at the school.

Aim

- To have the children of St Francis of Assisi wear the correct school uniform with pride and be of neat appearance.
- To encourage the children to develop self discipline through willingly ensuring they wear the correct uniform and their personal appearance is neat.
- To ensure that students do not use their school uniform or personal appearance to adversely stand out from other students.

Implementation

The staff and parents will encourage all children to wear correct uniform and be of neat appearance at school. Usually students will be spoken to quietly by the classroom teacher in the first instance. If requests are ignored to rectify the issue the Principal or Assistant Principal will contact parents via either letter or phone call.

Girls Winter Uniform

- Catholic Primary School Winter Tunic or navy slacks. Tunic may be worn as a skirt ONLY in Year 5/6
- Sky blue long sleeve blouse with ‘Peter Pan’ collar or sky blue skivvy
- Polo shirt NOT to be worn with Winter Uniform
- Maroon V-necked sweater with logo or Maroon Polar Fleece with logo or maroon school cardigan with logo.
- Navy tights (not black or leggings of any sort)
- Navy jacket
- Traditional black leather ‘school’ shoes
- Navy socks with navy slacks only

Girls Winter Sports Uniform

- Maroon track top with white stripes down sleeves, zipper front with school logo
- Maroon track pants with white stripes down leg
- Maroon and white polo shirt with logo (white polo option for 2013 only)
- White socks (above ankle high)
- Predominately white sports shoes
- In Winter, students can wear a plain white long sleeve top underneath the sports shirt.

**Girls Summer Uniform**

- Catholic Primary School dress
- Royal blue shorts, sky blue short sleeve polo shirt with logo
- Maroon v-necked sweater or cardigan with logo or polar fleece with logo
- White socks (above ankle high)
- Traditional black leather 'school' shoes

**Girls Summer Sports Uniform**

- Maroon skort (with logo) or maroon shorts (with logo) – From 2014
- Maroon and white polo shirt with logo (white polo option for 2013 only)
- White socks (above ankle high)
- Predominately white sports shoes

**Boys Winter Uniform**

- Navy trousers
- Sky blue long sleeve shirt with Maroon and White striped school tie
- Sky blue skivvy
- Polo shirt NOT to be worn with Winter Uniform (from 2014)
- Maroon V-necked sweater with logo/ maroon polar fleece with logo
- Navy socks (above ankle high)
- Navy jacket
- Traditional black leather 'school' shoes

**Boys Winter Sports Uniform**

- Maroon track top with white stripes down sleeves, zipper front with school logo
- Maroon track pants with white stripes down leg
- Maroon and white polo shirt with logo (white polo option for 2013 only)
- White socks (above ankle high)
- Predominately white sports shoes
- In Winter, students can wear a plain white long sleeve top underneath the sports shirt.

**Boys Summer Uniform**

- Navy school shorts (not cargo or baggy)
- Sky blue polo shirt with logo
- Maroon V-necked sweater with logo or Polar Fleece with logo
- Navy socks
- Traditional Black leather ‘school’ shoes
Boys Summer Sports Uniform

- Maroon shorts (with logo) - From 2014
- Maroon and white polo shirt with logo (white polo option for 2013 only)
- White socks (above ankle high)
- Predominately white sports shoes

Year 6 students can wear their sport ‘Leadership Shirt’ as their sport shirt on sport days only.

Other

Hats
- Maroon legionnaire cap (with logo) or ‘bucket’ school hats (with logo) are the only forms of appropriate headwear. School hats are to be worn before and after school, at recess and lunch, for sport, outside class activities and excursions where appropriate. The exception to this is the ‘no hat rule’ for June and July in line with the school’s Sunsmart Policy. (From 2014)
- Plain navy blue or maroon beanie may be worn in winter.

School Bag
- The St Francis of Assisi School bag with logo is the only acceptable school bag.

Other
- All socks should cover ankles and not display logos or stripes
- Navy blue or maroon scarf and navy blue gloves are permitted in Winter

Student Appearance

All aspects of students appearance are gender inclusive i.e. apply to both girls and boys.

- Student’s hair should be clean and neat; fashionable extremes are not permitted. Examples of hair styles not permitted include rat’s tails, dreadlocks, and geometric shapes cut into hair and Mohawks. Shoulder length hair or longer must be tied back. Only natural, all-over hair colour is acceptable. The Principal or Assistant Principal will contact parents if other hair styles are of concern.
- Accessories are to match school colours (maroon, navy blue and white).
- No jewellery may be worn other than small, plain (silver or gold, no colour) ear studs, a watch or medical alert identification. Only one stud per ear (i.e. earlobe)
- Nail polish and make-up in any form are not part of the school uniform.
- Students out of uniform are required to bring a note from home on the day.
- If a student is out of uniform, parents may be contacted and requested to give a commitment to resolve the problem.
- The only acceptable trousers and shorts are tailored navy slacks or shorts. No ‘cargo’, ‘baggy’ or casual trousers/shorts allowed.
- Shoelaces are to match the colour of the school shoe. I.e. Black laces with black shoes, white laces with white sneakers.
- There is no uniform mix and matching- eg. No mixing summer and winter uniform, sport and normal uniform.