

# IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY CATHOLIC SCHOOL



## UNIFORM POLICY

### RATIONALE

The Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic School Advisory Board has agreed that children attending the school should wear an approved school uniform, unless exempted from doing so by the Principal on designated days and for exceptional reasons.

### AIMS

The Board of Management believes that a clearly stated and sensibly implemented uniform policy is important for the following reasons:

- To provide a focus and a sense of identity for students attending the school
- To provide an opportunity for parents and staff to instil in the children a sense of pride in their appearance.
- To prevent excesses in fashion trends and to eliminate competition among students, often based on parent ability to provide suitable clothes.
- To provide an economic means of clothing children for school.

### PROCEDURES

- An explanatory note/email from parents is required to be sent to the Principal if a child is not wearing the correct school uniform.
- If students are in public places while in school uniform, (eg. shopping after school), the full, correct uniform must be worn.
- The school uniform store provides a service for parents by stocking all items of the approved school uniform, except for shoes and sports shoes, at minimum possible prices.
- All members of the school staff are conscious of their role in implementing this policy by setting an example in their own neatness and appropriateness of dress by ensuring that students are neatly attired when participating in any school activity.

### EVALUATION

The following policy shall be reviewed as part of the school's three-year review cycle.

## **Shoes**

Black polishable leather shoes (not boots) must be worn with the formal uniform. (No skate shoes or similar shoes with a flat sole.) Sports shoes must be supportive and in colours sympathetic with the uniform colours. Shoes are to be kept clean and in suitable repair.

## **Hats**

Only Immaculate Heart branded headwear is permitted. This includes sun smart approved hats in Terms 1 and 4 and beanies for winter. All hats are available for purchase from the Uniform Store.

## **Bags**

All school bags must bear the Immaculate Heart logo. There are two sizes to choose from:-  
Medium Backpack – recommended for Kinder to Grade 2  
Large Backpack - recommended for Grades 3 to 6.

## **Hair and Makeup**

Student's hair is to be neat and clean. There should be no dramatic grading in length or undercutting. Hair of shoulder length or longer is to be worn tied back as a WHS measure. No unnatural colouring of hair is permitted.

Makeup and nail polish (other than clear) are not acceptable with the school uniform.

Ribbons, bands and clips are to be of school colours of navy blue, red or white. Suitable hair bands are available from the Uniform Shop. House coloured bands are acceptable on house sports days.

## **Jewellery**

Jewellery, other than a watch and a ring, is not to be worn. Students may wear earrings in one or both ears, a single plain sleeper or stud Medical Alert jewellery is permitted.

## **NON-CONFORMITY**

If circumstances warrant an exception to the uniform policy (ie sports uniform is worn on non-sports day) a signed letter of explanation or note in the school diary is required from the parent/guardian. This correspondence should include a reason for the exception.

If a student does not wear the uniform correctly or present himself or herself as expected they will be counselled and their parents informed of the school's concerns.

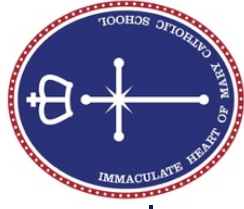
## **RESPONSIBILITIES**

**Board:** The Board has a responsibility to ensure that the policy development is fair and reasonable and reflects the spirit of the school.

**Principal:** The Principal has the responsibility to ensure that this policy is implemented and enforced at all times.

**Uniform Committee:** The Uniform Committee has a responsibility to provide the best quality, value and functionality when making suggestions or decisions regarding the IHMCS uniform.

## Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic School Uniform Summary



\* Items marked with an asterisk are required to be purchased through the school uniform shop/QKR App because of logos etc

### Girls Formal Uniform – Grade 3 to Grade 6

#### **Summer Uniform**

- Soft shell jacket \*
- Tartan skirt or skirt \*
- Short sleeved blouse with logo \*
- Navy blue socks (mid-calf length)
- Black leather shoes
- Bucket hat \*

#### **Winter Uniform**

- Soft shell jacket \*
- Tartan skirt \*(preferred) or skirt \*or tartan trousers (trousers available at Sacred Heart Uniform shop only)
- Long sleeved white blouse
- Bow tie \*
- Navy blue stockings
- Black leather shoes

### Boys Formal Uniform – Grade 3 to Grade 6

#### **Summer Uniform**

- Soft shell jacket \*
- Grey shorts
- Short sleeved shirt with logo \*
- Grey socks (mid-calf length)
- Black leather shoes
- Bucket hat \*

#### **Winter Uniform**

- Soft shell jacket \*
- Grey trousers
- Long sleeved white shirt
- Tie \*
- Grey socks (mid-calf length) \*
- Black leather shoes

### Sports Uniform – Kindergarten to Grade 6

- Polar fleece jacket or soft shell jacket \*
- Shorts \*
- Track pants\*
- Polo top (short or long sleeved) \*
- White socks
- House top (short or long sleeved) to be worn on Buddy Days and Sports Carnivals \*
- Sports shoes (colour sympathetic to school uniform)
- Bucket hat (required Terms 1 & 4) \*

**Kindergarten to Grade 2 required to wear sports uniform every day.**

**Sports uniform to be worn on PE Days, Buddy Days & Sports Carnivals.**

### Required non-clothing uniform items

- Medium & large school bags \*
- Library bag \*
- Art smock \*

### Optional uniform items

- Beanie with logo \*
- Beanie with pom pom \*
- Winter coat \*
- Navy blue polar fleece scarf
- Navy blue polar fleece gloves
- House Colour Swim Cap (School Carnivals, Learn to Swim)
- School Logo Swim cap (STCPSSA Swimming team only) \*