GUIDELINES
Uniform & Personal Appearance

Rationale

St Joseph’s Primary School recognises that the wearing of the school uniform is an important part of creating a sense of community, as well as a sense of identity for students as belonging to the school community. The wearing of the school uniform along with taking pride in one’s appearance contributes in a meaningful way to ensure that each student has pride in being a member of the school community.

Objectives

Guided by the school’s Vision Statement, St Joseph’s Primary encourages students to take pride in themselves and their school identity through the wearing of the approved school uniform. This uniform acknowledges the tradition of the Sisters of the Good Samaritan as founders of the school as well as taking into account the Queensland Government’s SunSmart requirements.

The uniform of St Joseph’s Primary School will -

• Reflect the heritage of our school in the school Crest
• Reflect the respect and dignity that students have in themselves, each other and the school community, and
• Provide equity for all and an identity which enhances the school’s spirit.

Implementation

St Joseph’s Primary School will:

• Inform parents/carers of the Uniform & Personal Appearance Guidelines when they enrol their child;
• Include the standard of uniform in the school’s Parent Information Booklet;
• Seek ongoing support from parents/carers and the school community for the Uniform & Personal Appearance Guidelines and its implementation though newsletters, parent meetings & Parent Portal.
• Ensure that all students wear the correct uniform and comply with the school’s SunSmart Guidelines in wearing the uniform
• Ensure the school uniform -
  - Complies with SunSmart guidelines
  - Reflects contemporary styling while remaining modest
  - Reflects the demands of our climate
  - Is practical for multiple purposes.
• Ensure that parents/carers are informed of days of the week that the formal uniform and sports uniforms are to be worn
• Approve variations to the application of these Guidelines where cultural, religious or other appropriate
grounds are provided to the Principal for consideration and approval

- Inform students and parents/carers that participation in school events, excursions, carnivals, outings or activities is dependent upon the student complying with these Guidelines.

Parents/carers will:

- Support the school’s Uniform & Personal Appearance Guidelines;
- Ensure that their child dresses in the approved school uniform on the required days;
- Ensure each child’s uniform is clean and in good condition;
- Clearly and permanently mark all clothing with the child’s name;
- Remind their child that the school hat is worn for all outdoor activities;
- Ensure that jewellery is limited to watches and studs/sleepers for pierced ears (one per ear);
- Ensure that their child’s hair is well-groomed. Colouring, streaking and tracks are not permitted. Hair that is shoulder length or longer is to be tied back using ties (not decorations) in the school colours (only); and
- Ensure that a note of explanation is provided to the Class Teacher for any temporary variation in the approved uniform.

Students will:

- Be aware of the school’s Uniform & Personal Appearance Guidelines;
- Take shared responsibility for complying with the required uniform and personal appearance requirements as set out above;
- Act as positive role models for other students in all aspects of uniform wearing and personal appearance behaviour;
- Wear the full and correct uniform when representing the school, eg ANZAC parade & sports carnivals;
- Wear the full and correct uniform between home and school.

STANDARD OF UNIFORM
The uniforms are described as follows. With the exception of shoes, these uniforms are available to buy, both new and second-hand from the school’s Uniform Shop.

Girls (Years 1-6)

**Formal Uniform**
- Dress OR school blouse & skort
- Short plain white ankle length socks
- Black leather/vinyl school shoes or black joggers
  (No boots, high tops, Volleys, suede, skate shoes or Mary Jane style shoes - even if labelled as ‘School range’ in shops)

**Sports Uniform**
- Tricolour knit sports shirt with emblem
- Navy knit/microfibre shorts
- St Joseph’s embroidered Sports Socks
- Sports joggers (No boots, high tops, Volleys or skate shoes - even if labelled as ‘School range’ in shops.)
  House T Shirt is worn at the four annual sports carnivals - cross country, track, field and swimming.
Winter
   Navy school jacket with emblem
   Navy school vest with emblem is an optional extra
   Navy tights can be worn as an alternative to white socks with the formal uniform (both with skorts and dresses)
   Navy track pants may be worn with sports uniform.
   School Hat with emblem is worn throughout the year (embroidered surnames is optional)

Prep Girls
   Tricolour knit Sports shirt with Navy shorts
   Sports shoes with St Joseph's embroidered Sports Socks
   School Hat with Emblem & embroidered surname
   House T Shirt is worn at the four annual Sports Carnivals - cross country, track, field and swimming

Boys (Years 1-6)

Formal Uniform
   Royal dress shirt with emblem (Gold trimmed side splits which can be worn out is an optional style)
   Navy rugger/stubbie style shorts (long or short leg)
   Short navy ankle socks
   Black leather/vinyl school shoes or black joggers. (No boots, high tops, Volleys, suede or skate shoes - even if labelled as 'School range' in shops.)

Sports Uniform
   Tricolour knit sports shirt with emblem
   Navy shorts
   St Joseph's embroidered Sports Socks
   Sports joggers (No boots, high tops, Volleys or skate shoes - even if labelled as 'School range' in shops.)
   House T Shirt is worn at the four annual Sports Carnivals - cross country, track, field and swimming.

Winter
   Navy school jacket with emblem
   Navy school vest with emblem is an optional extra
   Navy track pants may be worn with either uniform though the correct shoes must be worn: sports joggers with sports and black shoes with formal uniform.
   School Hat with emblem is worn throughout the year (embroidered surnames is optional)

Prep Boys
   Tricolour knit Sports shirt with navy shorts
   Sports shoes with St Joseph's embroidered white Sports Socks
   School Hat with Emblem & embroidered surname
   House T Shirt is worn at the four annual Sports Carnivals - cross country, track, field and swimming.

HAIR LENGTH and ACCESSORIES
Shoulder length hair (or longer) must be tied up.
Scrunchies, ribbons and hair bands in school colours i.e. navy, white, gold or royal blue, are permitted.
No additional hair decorations or accessories even if in school colours.
Hair colour, tips, tints, tracks, etc are NOT ACCEPTABLE.

JEWELLERY
Acceptable
   Ear-rings - Single sets of Sleepers or Studs - no glass inserts
   Watches - Are permitted for those who can use them.
   Rings - Signet rings only

Unacceptable
   Necklaces, bracelets and anklets are not permitted for Health and Safety reasons