



# Herne Hill Primary School

## **Policy Title: STUDENT DRESS CODE POLICY**

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### **RATIONALE**

A uniform dress code promotes in students a sense of identity and pride as well as cohesion in the school. It creates a sense of themselves as an integral part of the school community. It also promotes and supports students identity and acknowledges gender diversity and pride.

### **AIMS**

A school uniform assists in:

- developing a sense of school pride, inclusion and identification in the school learning community
- ensuring that appropriate and reasonable dress standards are maintained
- diminishing peer pressure and socio-economic disadvantage in the area of dress
- enabling all children to participate fully and actively in all aspects of school

### **IMPLEMENTATION**

#### **Uniform:**

- Students are required to wear a school uniform as approved by School Council. (See end of this document for list of approved items)
- The school uniform is based on the colour of maroon and is compulsory for students when attending school and events representing Herne Hill Primary School.
- Parents/Guardians are responsible for ensuring their child/children are dressed in approved, clean school uniform.
- For safety reasons, jewellery items that are permitted to be worn at school are: watches, stud or sleeper earrings (one pair only), medical bracelets and single chain necklaces for religious or medical reasons. No other body piercing is permitted.
- Nails are to be kept clean and short. Cosmetics, including makeup and nail polish, may not to be worn.
- Natural hair colour only, unless there is a specific school event or activity requiring hair to be coloured.
- For safety and health reasons, students with shoulder length hair or longer must have it tied back. Headbands/hair ties are to be maroon, gold, black, brown or white.
- Art smocks are to be worn in all art activities and are to be provided from home.
- The use of Herne Hill Primary School bags is recommended. These bags are of high quality, and should last the full 7 years of schooling and are available at A+ Uniforms.

- All items of school uniform are to be clearly named. Individual students are responsible to take care of their own clothing items. Due to storage problems, unclaimed items of lost property will be either donated to the second-hand uniform store, or appropriately disposed of, at the end of each term.
- If a student is out of uniform, a note of explanation from the parent/guardian is expected. If a student is out of uniform on consecutive days, and a note of explanation is not received, Parents/Guardians will be informed in writing. If a student is habitually out of uniform, the matter is to be referred to the Principal.
- Exceptions to school uniform may be determined by the Principal for cultural, religious, or medical reasons, after a written request.
- The Principal is available to discuss options if parents/carers are experiencing significant economic hardship so that they can support their child to comply with the dress code.

### **OUT OF UNIFORM EVENTS**

- At any out-of-uniform events, including school camps, students are to have shoulders, upper arms and midriffs fully covered for SunSmart purposes. Students are to wear closed in toe footwear. Skirts, shorts and dress lengths are to be appropriate for a school activity (no miniskirts).
- When riding bicycles or scooters to and from school, all students are to wear Australian Standard approved bicycle helmets.

### **OTHER ITEMS OF UNIFORM**

- Coats, maroon scarves and beanies may be worn to and from school and during recess breaks. These items are not to be worn during class times.
- Hoodies are not a part of school uniform and therefore not permitted. Grade 6 Graduating Class hoodies are the exception to this.
- Grey tights may be worn with the winter kilt only. Leggings are not permitted at any time. Socks are to be white only.

### **SCHOOL HATS (COMPULSORY IN TERMS 1 & 4)**

- All students are to wear the school's broad-brimmed hat when outdoors in Term 1 and Term 4 or whenever UV levels reach a rating three or more.
- School hats are purchased at the school office

### **PURCHASE UNIFORMS FROM:**

- Uniforms and school bags can be purchased from A+ Uniforms. Please refer to the brochure available at the office for a list of the items which make up the uniform. Second-hand uniform items are available at a donation from the store run by the Office Staff.

## Approved School Uniform

- *Maroon– long or short sleeve polo with printed school logo*
- *Herne Hill Summer dress*
- *Skort – school fabric*
- *Maroon shorts*
- *Maroon trackpants (2 styles available)*
- *Herne Hill jumper with printed logo (3 styles available)*
- *White, grey or black socks*
- *Winter Kilt – in school tartan*
- *Grey tights (only to be worn with kilt)*
- *Appropriate footwear including black shoes, pull on black elastic sided boots or runners/joggers.*
- *Approved hair accessories*
- *Maroon scarf / beanie*