

1 Policy

St Mary MacKillop Catholic Primary School values and promotes the school spirit and pride generated by students wearing correct school uniform and following appropriate grooming standards. Wearing the correct School uniform is a requirement of all students.

Each student contributes to the public presence of the School within the wider community. While wearing the uniform both at School and away from School, all students are expected to uphold the values of the School with pride and dignity.

2 Rationale

Wearing the correct uniform unites the students and contributes to creating a strong sense of community. The uniform promotes consistency and inclusion and uniform items carry the School logo, reinforcing the School Vision and Mission.

Uniform items have been selected for comfort, practicality and 'sun safety', with appropriate consideration also given to durability and affordability.

3 Aims

This policy provides an outline of the School uniform and grooming expectations with the following additional aims:

- To encourage students to develop a sense of personal pride in their own presentation and in the School; and
- To encourage students to take personal responsibility for their appearance and for maintaining their uniform items in good condition.

4 Implementation

Uniform and grooming requirements are presented in **Annexure A**. These expectations apply to normal day time attendance at School, during extra-curricular activities or when representing the School, and when travelling to and from School.

There may be occasions (e.g. if there is a free clothes day or a themed clothes day) where correct uniform is not required. The School will provide formal instruction on these occasions.

All new uniform and second-hand items are available for purchase from the School Uniform Shop which is on-site (Ground Floor of the Southern Cross Centre). Shop hours and location can be confirmed with the School administration.

Lost property will be collected and held at a location readily accessed by students and parents/carers. Any items that remain unclaimed at the end of each term will be sent to the second-hand uniform shop to be resold, or may be discarded, depending on the article.

5 Roles and Responsibilities

5.1 Role of the School

- Set out clear expectations about uniform and grooming requirements and communicate these expectations to students and parents/carers at regular intervals throughout the school year.
- Support families by allowing uniform changes to be transitioned over a reasonable period of time and by selecting uniform items with appropriate consideration to affordability and durability.
- Provide assistance to students where financial difficulty or other complicating circumstances exist.
- Support the operation of the on site second-hand uniform shop.
- Consider changes to uniform requirements if requested by the parent and student body.
- Teachers/ Cluster Leaders will notify parents of a breach of uniform policy and seek rectification within a reasonable timeframe (Hair & jewellery within 24 hours).

5.2 Role of Students

- At all times wear the correct uniform in the manner consistent with its design and function.
- When wearing the uniform, behave in a manner that is consistent with the values of the School and contribute positively to the image of the School.
- Show respect for themselves and for others when travelling to and from School.

5.3 Role of Parents/Carers

- Notify the class teacher if there is any difficulty meeting uniform or grooming expectations.
- Support the School and the uniform requirements by encouraging students to wear correct uniform items and to maintain high standards of hygiene and personal presentation.
- Ensure that uniform items are marked with the student's name.

6 Review

This policy will be reviewed every 3 years, or earlier at the discretion of the Principal.

7 Related documents

- i. SunSmart Policy, available from the School office, or the online Parent Portal.

Annexure A

UNIFORM REQUIREMENTS AT MARY MACKILLOP FOR EACH GRADE

Uniform Item	Prep Uniform (Boys & Girls)	Girls Uniform Years 1 - 6	Boys Uniform Years 1-6
Formal Uniform	Unisex Dress Shirt Maroon with Tartan Sleeve cuffs with Unisex Sports Shorts Green	Unisex Dress Shirt Maroon with Tartan Sleeve cuffs with Tartan Culottes Or Tartan Dress	Unisex Dress Shirt Maroon with Tartan Sleeve cuffs with Tartan Shorts
Sports Uniform	Same as above	Unisex Sports Shirt maroon school name on collar Tartan sports culottes or Green sports shorts	Unisex Sports Shirt maroon with school name on collar Green sports shorts
Socks	Plain white crew length socks that cover the ankles	Plain white socks that cover the ankles Bottle Green tights may be worn during winter	Plain white crew length socks that cover the ankles
Formal & Sports Shoes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Completely black leather shoes or black leather sandals (lace up or Velcro) 		
Hat	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bottle green broad brim hat, or Bottle green reversible bucket hat with house colour 		
Tracksuit	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bottle green school zippered tracksuit jacket with logo Bottle green school track pants (Unisex) Bottle green pullover jumpers are permitted until the end of 2020. 		
School Bag	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> School bag– compulsory item (Small size recommended for Prep – Year 3) 		
Homework Satchel	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Blue Homework Satchel with school logo– Compulsory Item Includes students name 		
Library Bag	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Navy or Red library bag with school logo 		
Swimming	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> One piece style swim suit or swim brief with rash shirt along with school swimming cap (Girls) Brief or trunk style swimsuit (Board shorts not permitted) with rash shirt along with school swimming cap (Boys) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> One piece style swim suit or swim brief with rash shirt along with school swimming cap 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Brief or trunk style swimsuit (Board shorts not permitted) with rash shirt along with school swimming cap
Representative/ Interschool Sport	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The school may issue (at cost) the student with a competition shirt or singlet. It is requested that the item be laundered and returned to school following the event. 		
Seniors	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Year 6 students will have the opportunity to purchase a special seniors shirt that may substitute for the school formal or sports shirt upon request of staff. 		



Jewellery	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Small earnings (silver or gold in colour, studs or sleepers only)• a single item of religious importance is permitted.• Other jewellery items are not permitted.
Wearable Technology	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Wearable technology (watches) worn in lessons or in public areas around the school, must have 'Do not disturb'/'flight mode' activated during school hours and whilst at school approved events including lunch and snack breaks.• Wearable technology must not be worn during any formal assessment activity such as NAPLAN or at teacher discretion.• Wearable technology can include but is not limited to smart watches, air pods, fitness trackers and other devices that have the potential to communicate and access mobile technologies in similar ways to a mobile phone.• Any breaches in relation to the above will result in the item being confiscated and returned at the end of the school day.
Hair	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Hair must be neat and tidy.• Hair colourants are not acceptable.• Hair longer than collar length must be worn tied back or up with a bottle green, maroon or tartan hair accessory supplied by the uniform shop.• Blade 3 is the shortest blade acceptable for all over cuts.• Extreme hairstyles which draw undue attention to the students are not accepted and will not be allowed in any form (eg. Undercut, rats tails, tracks, mohawk, buzzcut, dreadlocks).• Inappropriate hair colour or hairstyles will need to be changed within 48 hours.
Nails	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Nails are to be kept short for general safety and participation in sport.• Nail polish and make up are not permitted while wearing the school uniform unless specified for school sanctioned events.
Other	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Chewing gum and bubble gum is not permitted while a student is in uniform.