

# Waniora Public School



## School Uniform Policy

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## **Objectives**

### **Policy statement**

A school uniform consists of a limited range of clothing, including footwear and headwear. It identifies students as belonging to a particular school. Schools usually expect students to wear the uniform during school hours, while travelling to and from school, and when engaged in school activities out of school hours.

### **Rationale**

*The wearing of school uniform encourages a sense of equity, school identity and pride.*

*Parents are able to provide economical, appropriate and durable clothing for their children.*

*The school uniform has been designed to allow all students to participate in all aspects of school activities with comfort and dignity.*

### **Dress Code**

All students are required to wear a wide brimmed hat in accordance with the school Sunsafe policy. No Hat. Play under the COLA.

Students should wear footwear that facilitates physical activity. Shoes should, where possible be black (Mon –Thurs) while athletic sports shoes are acceptable on Friday.

Thongs and sandals (uncovered footwear) is not acceptable.

All forms of jewellery are discouraged to avoid loss of precious items and injury to students. Sleeper earrings or studs may be worn. These may be required to be removed for sporting activities due to health and safety concerns.

Each school's uniform policy must be the result of formal consultation with students, teachers and parents or carers, including the Parents and Citizens' Association, local Aboriginal Education Consultative Group and School Council where relevant. The consultation will be conducted in a manner appropriate to each school and be based on participatory decision-making principles. The school's uniform policy and uniform requirements should be formally endorsed by the school community before implementation.

A school's uniform policy should take into account the diverse nature of the student population in the school and not disadvantage any student. Economic, personal, social and cultural factors affecting students and their families must be considered when deciding on items of uniform. Other considerations, such as body shape or religious requirements should be taken into account in making a final decision on the design and fabric of school uniforms.

### **General**

Parents/Caregivers are asked to label all items of school uniform.

A uniform pool is operated at school each term. Items of outgrown uniform in reasonable condition are then made available to newly transferred students and to all members to the school community at a reduced cost.

## **Implementing school uniform requirements**

Positive reinforcement and encouraging responsible behaviour are the preferred approaches to ensuring students wear the school uniform.

Everyone has a role in setting the standards for the school. Teachers and other school staff model appropriate standards for students. They should dress in a professional manner at all times.

Suspension or expulsion solely for non-compliance with uniform requirements is not to occur. Student enrolment cannot be contingent upon adherence to school uniform policy.

Students should not be disadvantaged where required uniform items are not available because of circumstances beyond their control.

Response to students who do not wear uniform must be appropriate. They should be clarified, agreed upon by the school community and documented. Response must be fair and consistent. They must not prevent students from continued participation in essential curriculum activities except where exclusion is necessary for reasons of safety. In this situation, alternative educational activities must be provided.

### **Girls**

#### **Summer – Option of**

Gold, white and brown checked dress or maroon shorts/skirt with yellow polo shirt and with school emblem. **BIKE PANTS/SHORTS ARE NOT ACCEPTABLE.**

White socks and black shoes. Joggers are acceptable. (preferably black)

#### **Winter – Option of**

Maroon tracksuit with school emblem. Yellow long sleeve polo shirt with school emblem.

Tunic dress with long sleeve yellow polo shirt with school emblem.

White socks and black shoes. Joggers are acceptable. (preferably black)

### **Boys**

#### **Summer**

Grey shorts and yellow polo neck t-shirt with school emblem.

Grey socks and black shoes. Joggers are acceptable. (preferably black).

#### **Winter**

Maroon tracksuit with school emblem and yellow long sleeve polo neck t-shirt with school emblem.

Grey socks and black shoes. Joggers are acceptable. (preferably black).

## **Sport**

Sport uniform is not required for the Junior school.

GIRLS - School sport shirt and maroon shorts/skirt, white sport socks and joggers

BOYS - School sport shirt and maroon shorts, white sport socks and joggers

## **House Colours**

<b>Pacific</b>	<b>Blue</b>
<b>Collins</b>	<b>Red</b>
<b>Sandon</b>	<b>Yellow</b>
<b>Brokers</b>	<b>Green</b>

House colours are worn on special, usually sporting, occasions. Students will receive advanced notice if house colours are permitted to be worn on a certain day.