

## 1 Policy

**St Oliver Plunkett Catholic Primary School (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 items are available for purchase from the school supplier, HOZIKOZI Clothing Company. The on-site second-hand uniform shop provides an alternative uniform source. 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 the beginning of 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.

## 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 School 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.

Uniform Item	Girls Uniform Requirements	Boys Uniform Requirements
<b>Standard Uniform</b>	School dress or Girls collared shirt with navy culottes	Boys collared shirt with navy Stubbies style BCS5700
<b>Standard Shoes</b>	Black leather school shoes (low heel, lace up or Velcro)	Black leather school shoes (low heel, lace up or Velcro)
<b>Socks</b>	School socks (white with school coloured bands) Tights may be worn during winter (Opaque ink navy)	School socks (white with school coloured bands)
<b>Sports Uniform</b>	School polo shirt with logo with navy culottes, or school bike pants	School polo shirt with logo with navy Stubbies style BCS5700, or school bike pants
<b>Sports Shoes</b>	Predominantly white lace-up or velcro sports shoes (fluorescent coloured /skateboard shoes not permitted)	
<b>Hat</b>	School broad brimmed hat or School legionnaires hat with logo	
<b>Bag</b>	School bag is optional	
<b>Tracksuit</b>	School zip-up tracksuit jacket with logo Navy tracksuit pants	
<b>Swimming</b>	One piece style swimsuit or swim brief with rash shirt	Brief or trunk style swimsuit (Board shorts not permitted) with rash shirt
<b>Representative Sport</b>	The School may provide the student with a competition shirt. It is requested that the shirt be laundered and returned to School following the event.	
<b>Seniors</b>	Year 6 students may be provided with a special Seniors shirt that may substitute for the School polo sports shirt. Year 6 students may be provided with a special Seniors jumper that may substitute for the School zip-up tracksuit jacket with logo	
<b>Jewellery</b>	Watches, small earrings (studs/sleepers) and a single Christian religious item around the neck are permitted. Other jewellery items are not permitted.	
<b>Hair</b>	Hair must be neat and tidy. Hair colorants are not acceptable. Girls with shoulder length or long hair must have it tied back at all times. Hair accessories must be the school colours. Acceptable styles, cut and length are at the discretion of the Principal.	
<b>Nails</b>	Nails are to be kept short for general safety and participation in sport. Nail polish, artificial nails and make-up are not permitted while wearing the school uniform.	
<b>Other</b>	Chewing gum or bubble-gum is not permitted while a student is in uniform	
<b>Purchase Options</b>	HOSIKOZI CLOTHING COMPANY PTY LTD 349 Riding Road, Balmoral, QLD 4171 Australia Ph (07) 3899 3000, <a href="http://www.hosikozi.com.au">http://www.hosikozi.com.au</a> Second-hand Uniform Shop (on site)	