Rationale:
- A uniform dress code reinforces in students a pride in their own appearance, instils recognition of themselves as an integral part of the school community, and assists in developing pride in representing their school. Issues of equality, health and safety, and expense are also factors that contribute to the establishment of the Dress Code.

Aims:
- To promote equality amongst all students.
- To further develop a sense of pride in, and identification with our school.
- To provide durable clothing that is cost effective and practical for our school environment.
- To maintain and enhance the positive image of the school in the community.

Implementation:

Student Dress Code
- After consultation with the school community, the School Council has developed a Student Dress Code that we believe provides choice for the students, allows for students to safely engage in the many varied school activities, and caters for the financial constraints of families.
- The Student Dress Code applies during school hours, while travelling to and from school, and when students are on school excursions.
- Uniform items must have the school logo attached or be completely logo free.
- The Student Dress Code, will be published on the school website and available at the office.
- Students not in school uniform will not be able to attend an excursion or represent the school, unless under extenuating circumstances where the principal allows for an exemption.
- Stud earrings and sleepers worn in the ears, plus watches are the only acceptable jewellery.
- During learning time, only wristbands supplied by, or sanctioned by the school, may be worn. (maximum of 2)
- Unnatural hair colours and/or extreme hairstyles are not permitted.
- All hair capable of being tied up needs to be kept off the face – boys and girls.
- The only headwear that is acceptable is Sunsmart hats consistent with our Sunsmart Policy. They must be worn outside from Sept 1st to April 30th. Hats are not to be worn inside.
- Only clear nail polish can be worn.
- Makeup is not to be worn at school.

Compliance Requirements
- Parents/guardians seeking exemption to the Uniform Policy must apply in writing to the principal, where consideration will be given to: new families requiring sufficient time to purchase items of dress, lack of availability of an item, a matter relating to the student’s health, economic hardship requiring special arrangements, and/or adjustments required to meet reasonable religious or cultural grounds.
• On any given day, circumstances may arise where a student comes to school not in a complete school uniform. Should this occur, the student concerned will seek a uniform pass from the administration office. The uniform pass is then given to the relevant grade teacher. The parent/guardian will then strive to have their child in a complete school uniform as soon as possible.

• Students not in a complete school uniform for three consecutive days, the grade teacher will contact the student’s family e.g. Phone call/note placed in the student’s diary/email etc. to seek compliance with the Uniform Policy.

• If compliance to the Uniform Policy is not met for five consecutive school days then the principal will follow this up directly with the family, seeking compliance. All efforts will be made to assist the family to comply with the Uniform Policy.

• School Council requires the Principal be responsible for implementation of the Student Dress Code in a manner consistent with the Student Engagement and Wellbeing Policy.

**Evaluation:**
• This policy will be reviewed as part of the school’s three-year review cycle.

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Signed Jan Rollinson  
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