Corpus Christi Catholic School Bellerive

School Uniform & Personal Appearance Policy



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RATIONALE

Children attending the School should wear the approved school uniform and comply with expected attire and personal presentation standards, unless exempted from doing so by the Principal on designated days and for exceptional reasons. The school uniform identifies students as belonging to Corpus Christi Catholic School and is part of the proud history of our School. It has evolved over time to continually meet the challenges and opportunities presented by progress and change. The uniform is a highly visible symbol that has been designed to reflect the ethos of our School whilst fulfilling practical, educational and representational requirements. It instils a recognisable sense of pride, equality and community in our students and is a valuable tool to encourage respect and responsibility.

AIMS

The School believes that a clearly stated and sensibly implemented policy is important for the following reasons.

- To provide a focus and a sense of identity for students attending the School.
- To provide an opportunity for parents and staff to instil in the children a sense of pride in their appearance, which is an important Christian ethic.
- To prevent excesses in fashion trends.
- To provide an economical means of clothing children for school.

PROCEDURES

Uniform Implementation

- The Principal has the authority to implement the approved Uniform and Personal Appearance Policy.
- Exceptions to wearing all or part of the uniform may be granted by the Principal for a designated period of time, upon receipt of an explanatory note from parents.
- Parents must notify the Principal and Class Teacher if a child is not wearing the correct school uniform.

Uniform Restrictions

- Students can wear a variation of the specific items in the Smart Play Uniform (Profile Attached).
- Hats are to be worn in accordance with the School's Sun Protection Policy but may only be the approved school hats available from the Uniform Shop.
- Beanies, neck scarves, gloves are allowed during colder months but may only be plain black or school colours red and green.

Footwear and Bags

- Only regulation school bags are allowed.
- Students are to wear either the Corpus Christi Socks (see attachment), plain white socks or Plain Black Socks. No logos or designs are to be visible.

Public Places

• If students are in public places while in school uniform (e.g. shopping after school), the full correct uniform must be worn.

Uniform Shop and Second-Hand Uniforms

- The Uniform Shop provides a service for parents by stocking all items of the approved school uniform, except for shoes and sports shoes, at the minimum possible prices.
- Parents have established a Facebook page to sell second hand uniform items to others in our school community.

Staff Role Modeling

- All members of school staff are conscious of their role in implementing this Policy by setting an
 example in their own neatness and appropriateness of dress and by ensuring that children are neatly
 attired when participating in any school activity.
- Staff members should ensure that students are neatly attired when participating in any school activity.

Clothing Labelling

All items of clothing must be clearly and permanently labelled with student's name.

Jewellery Guidelines

Acceptable forms of jewellery may include one or more of the following.

- One set of small, plain gold or silver stud earrings, which are worn in the lower earlobes.
- A watch.

The following items are not permitted: nail polish, makeup, and anklets and friendship bands.

All jewellery is to be removed by students before playing in school sports teams and prior to participating in competitive physical educational activities. In general, this would not include weekly physical education classes.

Hair Guidelines

- Hair is to be clean, neat and tidy at all times.
- Hair of shoulder length or longer is to be worn tied back as a health and safety measure.
- Hair styles should not obstruct vision in any way.
- Ribbons, clips, bands, ties, scrunchies, etc are to be of school colours red, bottle and green or school fabric. Hair bands in school colours are available from the School Uniform Shop.
- Unusual or extreme haircuts, hair colours or multi-colouring are not acceptable.

SCHOOL UNIFORM REQUIREMENTS

Students Kinder - Grade 6

- All students are to wear the Corpus Christi Smart Play. All students can wear a variation of the Smart Play options.
- The Formal and Sports Uniform is being phased out and may continue to be worn until the end of 2025.

- Sports shoes suitable for physical activities. Flat-soled shoes, similar to Volley's or Van's are not suitable sports shoes for school.
- Corpus Christi Brand Socks, White or black anklet/crew socks. These must be plain with no visible logo drawing unnecessary attention.

Grade 6 Students

Leavers Tops may be worn in Grade 6 as part of the Smart Play Uniform.

Failure to Comply

In the event that the requirements of this Policy are not adhered to and in the absence of an explanation from parents, an infringement notice will be sent home to the parents.

HOW DO WE MAKE THIS POLICY WORK?

Sensible adherence to this Policy is the responsibility of everyone in the school community. Parents, guardians, carers, staff and students themselves, all have a role to play in making it work.

POLICY REVIEW

This Policy will be reviewed as part of the School's policy review cycle and not less than every three years.

POLICY DATES			
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POLICY AUTHORISATION			
Principal	Justin Veitch	Signature:	