

UNIFORM AND GROOMING POLICY

Rationale

Holy Cross Primary School is called to develop a sense of community where all people are treated equally. The Uniform & Grooming Policy outlines our schools' expectations with regard to the wearing of our uniform and personal presentation. It promotes consistency and inclusiveness for our students and their families who seek the educational values of our school. The Uniform & Grooming Policy is consistent with our school Vision and Mission Statements.

Policy

At Holy Cross Primary School, we expect our students to wear our school uniform with pride and in its entirety. The uniform must be worn at school, when representing our school and when travelling to and from school. When students are in school uniform they must wear it correctly.

Wearing a school uniform is essential for many reasons. It promotes:

- a sense of pride and belonging to our school community;
- a positive school image;
- a positive self-image;
- identification and security within our school and the wider community;
- a sense of equity, inclusiveness and uniformity as students do not feel they have to dress competitively.

Our uniform also:

- provides a lower cost to families in the long term by providing economical, serviceable and safe clothing;
- assists our school in meeting the Sun Smart guidelines;
- meets Occupational Health and Safety requirements.

Wearing our school uniform helps students to develop a sense of self-discipline, self-respect and responsibility.

It is the responsibility of all school community members (students, parents and teachers) to ensure the uniform is worn correctly

All Grades – Boys and Girls

- School bag
- Hat
- White socks (no logos or words)
- Plain black shoes (no white or coloured soles, logos, etc)

Prep & Grade 1 Girls	Prep & Grade 1 Boys
School Skort (bottle green)	Black Shorts
School Polo shirt	School Polo Shirt
Green hair scrunchie - optional	School jacket or pullover for winter
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Swim cap (fabric may be easier for younger students)	Swim cap (fabric may be easier for younger students)
1 Piece swimsuit	Speedos or boardshorts
Rash vest	Rash vest

Prep and Grade 1 students wear the Sports Uniform every day (polo shirt & shorts/skorts).

Years 2 – 6 Girls	Years 2 – 6 Boys
School formal uniform dress	School formal uniform shirt
School Skort (bottle green)	Black Shorts
School Polo shirt	School Polo Shirt
Green hair scrunchie – optional	
School Jacket or pullover for winter	School Jacket or pullover for winter
Swim cap (fabric may be easier for younger students)	Swim cap (fabric may be easier for younger students)
1 Piece swimsuit	Speedos or boardshorts
Rash vest	Rash vest

Years 2-6 students wear the Sports Uniform 2 days a week (Monday and Friday) - polo with shorts (boys) or skort (girls), the Formal Uniform 3 days a week (Tues, Wed & Thurs) - check shirt and shorts (boys) or check dress (girls).

Our Uniform Shop is managed by Ashgrove West Drapery, which is located at 2/469 Waterworks Rd, Ashgrove. Families can visit onsite 6 days per week (closed Sundays) for fittings and uniform purchases. You can also visit their online shop and purchase uniforms online and get them delivered to your home or pick up in store.

Please visit their website <u>School Threads</u> www.schoolthreads.com.au to view our uniform online and to make purchases.

Second hand uniforms are also available through a school Facebook group. Search for Holy Cross School, Wooloowin - Buy, Sell, Giveaway, Swap on Facebook.

Dress Uniform –

- Girls: School green/white check dress or School green/white check shirt with green culottes / skort
- **Boys**: School green/white check shirt with black shorts

Sports Uniform

- Girls: School Green sports shirt with green culottes / skort
 * Swimming: one-piece bathers, rash vest & cap
- Boys: School Green sports shirt with black shorts
 * Swimming: speedo bathers, rash vest & cap

All children must wear the green school hat with school emblem, short white socks and black (only) leather joggers.

- All children are expected to wear the full and appropriate school uniform. On a number of special days, the children will be allowed 'free dress' to help celebrate the festivities. On these occasions, prior notice will be given to parents.
- Uniforms must be of an appropriate size and are to be worn in the intended manner
- All hair ties and head bands should be of school or matching hair colour
- The following jewellery is permitted:
 - a wristwatch (if a smart watch, messaging and call functions must be disabled during school hours)
 - A pair of sleepers or a pair of studs are the only earrings allowed.
 - A simple chain with a cross or religious medal
- Rings and bracelets are a potential safety risk and are not to be worn at school.
- Make-up and nail polish is not permitted
- Hair should be worn neatly and not cover the eyes or face. Dreadlocks, rats' tails, mullets, tracks, undercuts, top knots, etc. are not acceptable hairstyles for school.
- Shoulder length hair should be tied back with a school colour tie.

Students who do not comply with the Holy Cross Uniform Policy will be in the first instance reminded of the school requirements by a teacher or member of the Leadership Team. Repeated non-compliance or serious breaches will result in a uniform infringement notice raised with the parents.

We understand that from time to time there may be extenuating circumstances that prevents a student from wearing the school uniform. We ask parents to notify the class teacher and/or Principal providing the explanation. If a genuine and reasonable long-term variation is required, this can only be granted by the Principal after a meeting with the parents.