ST. PATRICK’S PRIMARY SCHOOL
CESSNOCK

SCHOOL UNIFORM POLICY
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St. Patrick’s Primary School Cessnock
School Uniform Policy 2011

MISSION STATEMENT
Our mission is to provide quality education within the context of the Catholic Faith where the uniqueness of each person is nurtured and valued.
We aspire to empower and challenge students through innovative teaching practices to become lifelong learners.

Rationale:
At St. Patrick’s we believe that by wearing a uniform children will be encouraged to take pride in their appearance and identify with their school. Wearing a uniform reflects the tone and climate of the school, frees children from peer pressure, encourages self-management and builds community. We believe it to be more cost effective for parents and carers. The wearing of a school uniform suppresses any form of inequality or class discrimination.

Aims:
- to encourage students to take pride in school identity
- develop sense of belonging
- minimise social and economic differences
- assist in self management strategies in organization and behaviours

Implementation:
- Parents are provided with details of correct uniform (Appendix 1)
- Students are directed to name their own uniform for safety
- Students may wear shirts outside of shorts when playing but otherwise should be tucked in during class time.
- Hats must be worn in accordance with sun-safe policy
- Second hand clothing is available
- Lost property is collected

Budget:
Any costs incurred with this Policy will come out of the General school Budget.

Assessment:
- students are observed to be wearing correct/incorrect uniform items.
- if uniform is incorrect after reasonable time and student is aware of this, note sent to parent s
- alternatives to most commonly lost items (hats etc) are permissible for a short time if accompanied by a note from parents.

Evaluation:
This policy will be evaluated in response to the community needs in this area.
Appendix 1

Girls  
**Summer Uniform**
- Hat: Blue St. Patrick's hat
- Frock: Navy regulation
- Socks: White/white with navy stripes

**Winter Uniform**
- Hat: Blue St. Patrick’s hat
- Tunic: Navy Box Pleat
- Trousers: Navy Blue (NO tracksuit pants, dance pants, leggings Mon-Thurs)
- Blouse: White long sleeve
- Pullover: Navy wool
- Tights: Navy
- Socks: White/white with navy stripes
- Tie: Green with gold & green stripes (compulsory attire during Winter)
  Sports Tracksuit Top may also be worn (School regulation)

**Sports Uniform**
- Hat: Blue St. Patrick’s hat
- T/shirt: White St. Patrick’s sports shirt
- Socks: White with navy stripes
- Skirt: Navy blue netball
- Shorts: Navy blue
- St. Patrick’s tracksuit may be worn

Boys  
**Summer Uniform**
- Hat: Blue St. Patrick’s hat
- Shirt: School white short sleeves
- Shorts: Navy blue
- Socks: White with navy stripes

**Winter Uniform**
- Hat: Blue St. Patrick’s hat
- Shirt: School white long sleeves
- Trousers: Navy blue
- Pullover: Navy blue
- Tie: Green with gold stripes
- Socks: Regulation school stripes or plain white
- St. Patrick’s school tracksuit may also be worn.

**Shoes:** Winter & Summer - Black closed in school shoes or boots

**Sports Uniform**
- T/shirt: White St. Patrick’s sports shirt (Yr 6 Sports Shirt – differentiated)
- Shorts: Navy blue
- Socks: White/white with navy stripes
- St. Patrick’s school tracksuit may be worn (regulation)
APPENDIX

- Jewellery and nail polish are not part of school uniform.
- A short gold/silver necklace may be worn, but must remain tucked under the uniform.
- One plain gold/silver bangle/bracelet may be worn.
- Only one stud or sleeper in each ear is to be worn in each ear. They must be confined to the ear lobes. Wearing them in any other part of the body is unacceptable.
- Children with shoulder length hair should have it tied back or plaited. Only navy blue/white hair bands/ribbons should be worn.
- No unnatural hair colours/dyes/streaks etc are to be used including coloured hairspray, except on fundraising days when a permission slip is required.
- Any haircut deemed to be extreme will be asked to comply with school policy before returning to school.
- Outlandish haircuts or hairstyles such as Mohawk styles, beaded hair or words/symbols etched into the scalp are not permissible.
- Any student, who does not have the correct sports uniform, must wear his/her regular school uniform to school on sports day.
- Long nails are not acceptable as they pose a safety risk.
- Students are not permitted to wear make-up.
- School shoes with high heels are also not permitted.
- No bubble gum or chewing gum is permitted to be chewed on the school premises at anytime by staff, parents or students.

Lost Property

After checking carefully, students should report lost property to the class teacher. It is important that parents must clearly mark/label all items of clothing. All unclaimed items of clothing are placed in a box in the foyer of the school office.