



St Joseph's School, Waroona

Uniform and Grooming Guidelines

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2021

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2024

1. Purpose

The purpose of the school uniform is to:

- Promote a sense of belonging and pride – a contemporary and welcoming environment.
- Provide protection of children to ensure safety and well-being in accordance with best child-safe practices.
- Gender equality – offers versatility and supports play-based learning.
- Support affordability in accordance with the school's low-fee initiative & school mission statement.

Sources of Authority	
CECWA Policy	Catholic Education Commission Western Australia Community Policy Statement – February 2021
Executive Directive	

2. Scope

The guidelines apply to all students who attend St Joseph's School Waroona.

3. Guidelines

School Mission Statement: To provide an affordable, quality Catholic education.

All parents who enrol their children at St Joseph's School agree to dress their children in the recognised uniform and are required to ensure their children are dressed appropriately when they leave for school each day. Please support the school's efforts to continue the high standard of dress we wish to keep. Students are to wear their uniform with pride, it must be clean and neat at all times.

- Kindy children do not have to wear a uniform, but may wear a St Joes Kindy T-shirt if they wish (available from the uniform shop).
- All items of clothing must have the student's name written on the inside of the item in a visible place.
- The school backpack is the only allowed school bag from Pre Primary to Year 6.
- The school hat must be worn during breaks or when children are involved in outside activities with the flap out. Refer to the school Sun Smart Procedure.

The school uniform (new) is to be worn each day for students in Pre-Primary to Year 6:

- School polo shirt,

- House coloured polo shirt (on designated sports days),
- Blue shorts,
- White school socks with blue and yellow trim,
- School tracksuit (Jacket and track pants to be worn as requested for events and excursions),
- School shoes must be sports shoes offering arc support (canvas shoes or hi-tops not permitted).

For the duration of 2020 and 2021, whilst the school transitions to the abovementioned uniform, students can wear either their “old formal” or new school uniform (this includes both old and new style sports uniforms). Students are expected to be attired in correct, complete school uniform (do not mix and match between formal and sports uniforms). For school photographs and choir, students are required to wear the school uniform (new).

- School polo shirts (blue & yellow) are to be worn for the other four days of the week.
- School polo shirts (blue & yellow) are to be worn on excursions and formal events (not faction shirts).
- Sports uniform including faction shirts (red, green or blue) are to be worn for faction events (eg School Faction Athletics Carnival) and for the weekly Physical Education (PE) lesson. The class teacher will advise which day of the week the class is scheduled to have their PE lesson.
- Graduation shirts may be worn by Year 6 students in place of the school polo shirt at school. At the discretion of the Principal, Year 6 students may, on occasion, wear the graduation shirts for offsite events.
- Hair for all students must be clean, neat and tidy at all times. All shoulder length or longer hair that touches the collar or can hang over the face must be tied or pinned back. The fringe is not to fall over the eyebrows.
- Hair must be cut in a conventional style. Hair colour dye is not permitted and must be natural. It is at the Principal’s discretion what constitutes a conventional or extreme hair style. If in doubt consult the school before making any changes to hair.
- Hair ribbons/head bands must be in the school colours of royal blue or gold (also available for purchase from the school uniform shop).
- The old style blue rain jackets are an optional extra, however, may not be worn during class time. They will be phased out entirely by the end of 2021.
- Make-up or nail polish is not permitted.
- Children are not to graffiti or draw on hands or any body parts.
- Jewellery:
 - Students are permitted to wear a chain with a religious symbol.
 - Wrist watches may be worn at owner’s risk.
 - Earrings must have one simple stud or sleeper per ear lobe.
 - Both ears must have a matching stud or sleeper if earrings are being worn.

- **NO** other jewellery is to be worn.
- If an accident or problem prevents a child from wearing the full uniform on any particular day, parents are requested to send an explanation to the classroom teacher.

If a student does not adhere to the Uniform and Grooming Guidelines or meet the school's expectations, then they will be asked to rectify within a negotiated time frame. This will be communicated via a Uniform Infringement Notice sent home by the school. If the uniform infringement is repeated, the parents will be required to meet with the Principal.