



Uniform Policy

RATIONALE

St Lawrence Primary School is a single stream co-educational facility catering for students and their families from Three Year Old Kindergarten to Year Six. We strive to develop Christian values within our students and foster life-long learning with a vision of a positive future. An outward sign of belonging to this community is the wearing of the school uniform that displays the school crest and motto.

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.

Our school uniform not only provides a sense of belonging and pride of association in students at St Lawrence Primary School but also promotes the safety and security of students by allowing for the ready identification of students as belonging to our school. Equality is fostered through this Uniform Policy, common to all students.

PRINCIPLES

1. At St Lawrence Primary School, the obligation of students (Years 1 - 6) to wear the School Uniform is provided for in the contract between parent and school at the time of enrolment.
2. In cases of genuine financial hardship parents/carers may apply for assistance with the supply of a uniform.
3. Should an unusual situation occur when a child is temporarily unable to wear a uniform or part of one, a note from a parent/carer must accompany the child.
4. The school Uniform Shop will provide a service to the school community as long as the school has the resources for its smooth functioning. All items are available at the uniform shop other than shoes.
5. Any price changes to the uniform will be made on the recommendation of the Uniform Shop Manager with the approval of the Principal.
6. Should changes be made to the St Lawrence Primary School uniform, it will be a consultative process between the Principal and School Board as required. Final decisions about changes to the school uniform rest with the Principal.

UNIFORM REQUIREMENTS

St Lawrence School uniform is a sign of our community. It has been chosen by the community and all are expected to support it.

- Children are expected to be attired in the correct and complete school uniform at all times.
- Early Years: St Lawrence sports uniform is compulsory in Pre Primary
Pre Kindy and Kindergarten children are not required to wear school uniforms
- Summer uniform is worn by Years 1 to 6 in Term 1 and Term 4. Winter uniform is worn in Term 2 and Term 3.
- Children are to wear the school sports uniform on the days they have Physical Education or Sport. Black sports shoes should be appropriate for Physical Education and white school sports socks.
- Hair must be neat and tidy and tied back if shoulder length or longer or if hair falls about the face. Hair should be checked regularly by families to prevent lice infestation.
- Hair ties should be in the school colours only:
 - Blue or white with the summer uniform and navy blue or white with the winter uniform
 - Gold or red with the sports uniform
- Nail polish and make-up is not permitted.
- If an accident or problem prevents children from wearing their full school uniform on any particular day, an explanation note must be sent to the school.
- **"No hat, no play"** School hats are part of the school uniform and must be worn every day.