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## CONISTON PUBLIC SCHOOL

# SCHOOL UNIFORM POLICY STATEMENT

### **RATIONALE:**

Wearing of school uniform should be a positive expression of the child's pride in belonging to the school community.

Wearing of school uniform should be viewed as an appropriate extension of positive school experiences and practices.

School uniform should be: practical, comfortable, durable, suitable to the climate, modest, appropriate to the growth and development of the students, readily obtainable, affordable, good value for money, neat and attractive.

### **OUTCOMES:**

A School Uniform Code is discussed and adopted with sound educational, social and physical principles in mind will lead to the following positive outcomes.

#### **For the Children**

- Promotion of confidence and common identity through their sense of belonging to, and ownership of the school and its community.
- Personal comfort and safety in wearing clothing designed for its suitability for the relevant activities.
- Security in being recognised as belonging to a group or when separated from a group.
- Gains in habits of self discipline which flow on into all work practices.
- Minimise distinctions between students.

#### **For the Parent**

- Economic savings due to durability and design of fabrics and garments.
- Ease of laundering.
- Promotion of gender equity with clothing items able to be handed down through the family.

#### **For the Teacher**

- Children will be easily recognised outside the school boundaries.
- Distractions to classroom practices will be lessened.
- Children's pride in their appearance will be reflected in their pride in belongings and work efforts.

#### **For the School**

- Maintenance of a sense of cohesion and camaraderie.
- A physical display of pride and spirit of ownership.
- Recognition simplifies management of children on outings.
- Public recognition on excursions, at performances and at sporting events.

## **IMPLEMENTATION:**

While reaffirming the importance of school uniform, this school community believes that the wearing of a uniform should:

- be a positive educational, social and individual experience.
- be determined and endorsed in conjunction with the Parents and Citizens Committee comprising members of the whole School Community.
- be supported and maintained by the provision of a school based clothing pool.
- have a Lost Property facility available.
- be available at a subsidy for economically disadvantaged families.

Uniforms may be purchased online through Brandworx.

### **Girls Uniform**

- Yellow polo shirt with emblem
- Green skort
- School sports shirt with emblem (Friday)
- White socks (not anklets)
- Black shoes (no white soles) with black laces or velcro
- School broad-brimmed hat
- School jumper with emblem
- School jacket with emblem
- Long sleeve yellow polo shirt with emblem (winter)
- Green trackpants (winter)
- Green gabardine long pants (winter)
- Hair ties should be yellow, green, black or the child's hair colour.

### **Boys Uniform**

- Yellow polo shirt with emblem
- Green shorts
- School sports shirt with emblem (Friday)
- White socks (not anklets)
- Black shoes (no white soles) with black laces or velcro
- School broad-brimmed hat
- School jumper with emblem
- School jacket with emblem
- Long sleeve yellow polo shirt with emblem (winter)
- Green trackpants (winter)
- Green gabardine long pants (winter)

### **The following points need to be noted:**

- Make-up, nail polish, fashion accessories, unnecessary jewellery, clothing featuring inappropriate messages are NOT to be worn.
- Year 6 may wear their School Year 6 shirt as an alternative to the polo shirts

## **SUNSAFE POLICY:**

To support our School's commitment to the Sunsafe Policy, school broad-brimmed hats are part of school uniform. Hats are available for purchase from the school office. Children are encouraged to wear school hats when playing as a protection from the sun's harmful rays. Children without hats are asked to choose a shady area to play in. All children participating in sports and PE activities at school and away from school are required to wear hats.

### **Name Tags**

It is advisable that all articles of school uniform have a nametag for easy identification.

### **Lost Property**

Any articles of uniform or property that are found are kept in a Lost Property Box located in the library. All efforts to trace owners of lost property are carried out giving need to the importance of clearly **labelling** items of uniform and personal property.

Any parent encountering difficulty in acquiring a uniform should contact the Principal.

This policy statement is written in conjunction with the Department of Education Uniform Policy  
<https://policies.education.nsw.gov.au/policy-library/policies/school-uniform-policy>