

Smart Dress Code Policy (6-Month Trial)

Effective Dates: January 2026 to April 2026

Applies to: All students, teaching staff, and support staff

Purpose

This trial policy aims to foster a respectful, inclusive, and comfortable school environment by introducing a smart dress code that balances personal expression with a sense of school pride and professionalism. It reflects feedback from our school community and will be reviewed at the end of the trial period.

What is Smart Dress?

Smart dress is neat, tidy, and appropriate for a learning and working environment. It allows for individuality while maintaining a standard that supports focus, safety, and mutual respect.

Guidelines for Students

Acceptable Attire

- Polo shirts, collared shirts, blouses (plain or with subtle patterns)
- Neat trousers, chinos, skirts, or tailored shorts
- Dresses of appropriate length
- Closed-toe shoes or clean sneakers
- School-branded items (e.g., jumpers, jackets) are encouraged

X Not Permitted

- Clothing with offensive language, images, or slogans
- Ripped jeans, short shorts, or skirts above mid-thigh
- Midriff tops, singlets, or strapless tops
- Thongs, slides, or slippers
- Excessive or distracting accessories

Note: Students will be provided with a school uniform loan shirt, which must be worn on designated special event days such as school photos, sports carnivals, and when representing the school externally. These shirts will be made available to each student by the school to change in to on these days.

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School Uniform shirts

If you still would like to have your own school uniform shirt, please contact our admin team for purchasing options.

Guidelines for Staff

Staff are expected to model smart dress by wearing:

- Professional tops (e.g., collared shirts, blouses, smart knitwear)
- Trousers, skirts, or dresses suitable for a school setting
- Clean, closed-toe footwear in Kitchen/Workshop areas
- Clothing that is culturally respectful and appropriate for work in a school environment

Cultural and Religious Considerations

The school supports and respects cultural, religious, and gender-diverse expressions of dress. Students and staff are encouraged to speak with school leadership if they have specific needs or concerns.

Enforcement

- Students not meeting the dress expectations will be reminded respectfully and may be asked to change or adjust their attire. This includes wearing of incorrect school branded uniform.
- Repeated non-compliance will involve a conversation with families to support understanding and cooperation.
- Staff are encouraged to lead by example and support students in understanding the policy.

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