



## SCHOOL UNIFORM POLICY

Approved School Council – June 2016 Amended 2018 after Parent Survey

### RATIONALE

- Students are required to wear the school uniform. We ask for, and confidently expect, parental co-operation in the enforcement of correct uniform and maintaining proper standards in the general appearance and grooming of students.
- It is very important that students all begin the school year correctly attired. It would be much appreciated if parents would ensure their children have checked their uniform to see that it still fits and is in good condition. The replacement of uniform items should take place during the school holidays.
- In exceptional cases an “Out of Uniform” pass may be obtained from the appropriate year level co-ordinator upon receipt of a written request from the parent/carer and before the student enters class in Period 1. Students who are out of uniform without a uniform pass will receive an after school detention. Students will not be allowed to attend class in jeans or black pants.
- Any application for an exemption to the School Uniform Policy needs to be directed to the College Principal.

### GUIDELINES

College uniform is compulsory for all students and must be worn at school, while travelling to and from school, and on any school excursion except where the teacher in charge has obtained the approval of the Assistant Principal for other clothes to be worn and this is noted on the consent form. All uniform items should be clearly named for identification.

**Jewellery is not** to be worn apart from a watch and, for students with pierced ears, a pair of simple studs or sleepers in the ear lobes only are acceptable. No earrings or studs of any kind are to be worn in the nose, eyebrow or any other part of the anatomy—even if it is a clear earring or covered with a band aid.

### Footwear

The required shoes are the normal flat black polishable leather lace-up or business shoes or black polishable leather t-bar shoes (these must be buckled up at all times). Under no circumstances can students participate in workshop classes without correct school shoes, even on a casual dress day or with a uniform pass. Black sports shoes are not regarded as acceptable footwear and must not be worn by students.

### Grooming

Hair must be kept regularly washed and in a healthy state. Hair grooming, styling and colouring must be appropriate to a school setting. **No extremes will be acceptable** including dreadlocks, bright hair dyes or shaved heads. Students in Years 7 to 10 must be clean shaven. Make-up and nail polish are not to be worn and students doing so will be expected to remove it.

### Hats

**Only** the college sun cap is acceptable and must be worn outside for protection from the sun.

### Jackets

Coloured jackets of any description are not to be worn over the college uniform, either at school or while travelling to or from school. The navy college waterproof jacket is an option for all year levels.

### Blazers

The college blazer is optional for all students in Years 7 to 12. This may be worn throughout the year with both the Summer and Winter uniform.

A combination of Summer and Winter Uniforms are not to be worn.

Summer uniform is worn in Terms 1 & 4 and change into Winter uniform as directed by the college during Term 2.

Winter uniform is worn in Terms 2 & 3. Hair ribbons – navy blue or maroon.

### Summer

College dress (no shorter than 2cm above the knee), with plain knee length white socks.

#### OR

College blue navy shorts, trousers or slacks (PSW with Bentleigh Secondary College Logo ONLY).

White cotton college shirt (PSW with Bentleigh Secondary College Logo ONLY).

Plain black flat leather **lace up** shoes or black polishable leather t-bar shoes (these must be buckled up at all times).

College blue woollen pullover or blazer or college jacket.

### Winter

College winter skirt (no shorter than 2cm above the knee), maroon tartan with white over-check with black tights or plain knee length white socks.

#### OR

College navy blue trousers or slacks (PSW with Bentleigh Secondary College Logo ONLY).

White cotton college shirt (PSW with Bentleigh Secondary College Logo ONLY).

Plain black flat leather **lace up** shoes or black polishable leather t-bar shoes (these must be buckled up at all times).



Navy or black belts only.

College blue woollen pullover or blazer or college jacket.

Navy scarves with college logo are optional (available from PSW) or plain black scarves are acceptable; any other type of scarf is not acceptable.

Black sports shoes are **not** regarded as acceptable footwear and **must not** be worn by students.

**PHYSICAL EDUCATION:**

College blue sports shorts (available from PSW).

New college Sports Navy polo shirt.

White sports socks.

College sun cap for sun protection, outdoors only.

Runners or sports shoes (non-marking soles).

**Optional:** College rugby top, plain navy tracksuit pants (available from PSW).

**CONSEQUENCES FOR NOT ADHERING TO UNIFORM GUIDELINES AND THE DRESS CODE**

Student's not wearing uniform correctly will incur one or more of the following consequences;

- An after school detention, (15 minutes or 45 minutes with notice).
- Exclusion from class.
- Sent home to change.

The appropriate consequence will be determined by the Head of Year Level/Assistant Principal. Ongoing issues will require a parent conference and students will be asked to work outside of classes or at home until the matter is resolved.

Note: Students are not permitted to do PE unless in proper uniform. Students representing the college in sports teams should be properly attired in transit – either in PE or college uniform.

**EVALUATION**

*Review as part of the college's four-year review cycle.*