



# ST COLUMBA'S

## PRIMARY SCHOOL WILSTON

### SCHOOL POLICY

## UNIFORM

### Policy Statement

The St Columba's School uniform should be worn with pride on all occasions. All pupils are expected to wear the correct school uniform including the school hat which is compulsory for all outdoor activity. No Hat No Play.

Students must follow the guidelines of the school uniform policy as detailed in schedule 1. Specifically, they are required to wear the school uniform according to the following requirements:

- All students wear their formal uniform unless it is one of their designated sports uniform days.
- Sports uniform days are twice each week. Once on the day of the student's PE lesson and the other day as nominated for each year level. This information is provided at the beginning of each school year.
- Year 6 students wear Senior Shirts on Fridays.
- All uniforms should be neat and tidy with the correct uniform worn in the manner consistent with its design and function
- When wearing the uniform, behave in a manner that is consistent with the values of the School and contribute positively to the image of the School.
- All items should be clearly marked with the student's name.

### Hair and Jewellery Policy

(1) Hair: As general guidelines the following will need to be followed:

- (a) Natural colour in the hair (bleached/unnatural colour/streaks/foils/ tips are not acceptable)
- (b) No styles or cuts that draw undue attention (e.g. shaved heads, undercuts, tracks/lines, Mullets, patterns in the hair, hairstyles with significant contrasting sections and lengths) it is up to the *discretion of the leadership* to decide what is a breach of St Columba's hair style policy.
- (c) Gauge 2 is the shortest acceptable length.
- (d) Hair is to be off the collar and out of the eyes. If a student has to continually pull their hair back from their face or eyes it is too long.
- (e) Rat tails or any unnecessary, lengthy extensions of the hair are not permitted.
- (f) Hair worn below the shoulders must be tied back. Only white/navy/sky blue/navy & yellow hair ribbons or ties are acceptable.

a. The exceptions:

- i. the school recognises and respects the diverse cultural, religious, and medical needs of our community. While students are expected to follow the school's general hair and grooming guidelines, exemptions may be granted in the following circumstances:
  1. Cultural or Religious Reasons – Where hair style, length, or covering is an expression of cultural identity or religious practice.
  2. Medical or Health Reasons – Where a medical condition, treatment, or wellbeing consideration requires an alternative hair style or length.
- ii. During House Swimming, Athletics and Cross-Country carnivals, when the ribbons can be the colour of their sporting house.
- iii. Special themed days, i.e., "State of Origin, Daniel Morcombe Day, Say No to Bullying Day," etc. Clarity around these days and colours will be communicated to the community prior to these events.

Hair is to be neat and tidy. Hairstyles that don't align with the intent of the St Columba's policy will need to be corrected. Students may be refused entry into classes until the matter is resolved.

(2) Jewellery. The only jewellery allowed with the St Columba's school uniform is:

- a) fine neck chain with a small cross or religious medallion.
- b) No rings or bracelets are to be worn (a medical alert bracelet is the exception).
- c) A watch.
  - i. All smart watches need to be set to school mode while at school. Further information is provided in the Mobile Phone and SMART Watch Policy.
- d) Earrings – 1 pair of small plain simple studs (max. .... 5mm in diameter) or sleepers (1mm or 2mm in diameter) in the lower ear lobe only.

(3) Students are not permitted to wear make-up or nail polish. Students should also refrain from writing on their skin.

## Uniform Shop

A Uniform Shop operates within the school for all new and various second-hand items.

Uniforms can be ordered online through the [Okr! App](#). Once ordered and paid for, uniforms will be collated and sent home with your child. Uniform shop hours are Friday 8am – 9am.

Donations of official school uniforms can be brought to the uniform shop to be sold at discounted prices to the community. Please ensure these donations are clean and are in in good condition.

## Schedule 1

UNIFORMS	GIRLS	BOYS
Formal	Blue checked short sleeved dress with school logo, OR Blue checked unisex short sleeved shirt with school logo, with navy blue skorts Navy blue short socks (pale blue for Prep children)	Blue checked unisex short sleeved shirt with school logo Navy blue long leg shorts Navy blue short socks (pale blue for Prep children)
Sports	Blue knit shirt with school logo Navy blue knit shorts OR navy blue skorts Navy blue short socks (pale blue for Prep children), no ankle socks	Blue knit shirt with school logo Navy blue knit shorts Navy blue short socks (pale blue for Prep children), no ankle socks
Winter [Optional]	Navy blue jumper with school logo Navy blue vest with school logo Navy blue zip front tracksuit top with school logo Navy blue track pants Navy tights Plain navy long-sleeved tee can also be worn under formal uniform	Navy blue jumper with school logo Navy blue vest with school logo Navy blue zip front tracksuit top with school logo Navy blue track pants Plain navy long-sleeved tee can also be worn under formal uniform
School Bag	A school backpack with logo	
Shoes	Plain black leather shoes (Mary -Janes) or plain black joggers (low heel, no markings)	Plain black leather shoes or plain black joggers (low heel, no markings)
Swimming	One-piece swim suit, Sun shirt Swimming cap	Speedos or similar (no board shorts), Sun shirt, Swimming cap
Hat	Navy blue school hat with logo	
Seniors	Year 6 students may be provided with a special Seniors shirt and or hat that may substitute for the school polo sports shirt/ hat	

### Enforcement and Compliance

This policy is enforced to uphold the safety standards of our school community. Compliance is expected from all parents, staff, visitors and volunteers to ensure the well-being of our students and staff.

### Review and Adoption

This policy is effective immediately upon adoption by the school administration and will be reviewed periodically to ensure its alignment with safety protocols and regulatory guidelines. Any necessary revisions will be communicated to all stakeholders promptly.

### Approval and Review Details

Approval and Review			
Prepared By	Parent Representatives, WHSO Peter Maynard and School Principal Nick Fogarty		
Approved By	School Leadership Team		
Endorsed By	St Columba's School Board	Date:	March 2026
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