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School Uniform/Dress Code Policy

OVERVIEW

In accordance with the Department for Education's School Dress Code and Administrative Instruction, this policy provides

BELIEF STATEMENT

We believe that the wearing of a school uniform:

- Promotes pride in our school and enhances our public image.
- Creates a sense of identity among students and the community.
- Supports student safety through the ease of identification.
- Ensures appropriate, safe clothing for school activities.
- Promotes equity among students.
- · Assists in reducing costs for student clothing.

IMPLEMENTATION

- This policy and uniform options will be given to new families and is outlined in the Family Information Pack.
- Students not in uniform on days of excursions, representing the school or school photos may be provided with a polo shirt and or fleece jumper for the event, depending on availability & necessity.
- Any change in uniform will be phased in and previously approved uniform items that may be de-listed will continue to be acceptable for up to 12 months.

EXPECTATIONS

All students are expected to wear:

- Royal blue polo shirts (preferably with gold school logo).
- Royal blue polar fleece jumper (preferably with gold school logo).
- Navy blue shorts/skorts/pants.
- Navy, royal blue & gold check school dress.
- Navy pleated skirt, with or without navy blue tights.
- Enclosed footwear or sandals with a back. Footwear should be suitable for school activities.

HATS

Navy blue broad brimmed or bucket hats, embroidered with Owen Primary School or the Owen Primary School logo are acceptable. New receptions will receive a school hat on enrolment. If a student's hat is lost or deemed to be in unacceptable condition (torn, graffitied, no longer sun-safe), the hat is to be replaced at a cost to the student/family. Information around hat use is detailed in the Owen Primary School Sunsmart Policy.

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UNACCEPTABLE DRESS

- Non-sun-safe clothing such as tank-tops, sleeveless garments and baseball style caps.
- Denim clothing including jeans.
- Pants/shorts with stripes or obvious logos.
- Unsuitable footwear such as thongs or high heeled shoes.
- Excessive jewellery and earrings other than sleepers or studs.

EXEMPTIONS

Exemption from the School Uniform/Dress Code Policy may be granted by the principal, after a written request from the parent/guardian of the student is received. Grounds on which parents/guardians may seek an exemption include:

- Year 6 student designed shirts.
- Religious/cultural/ethnic beliefs.
- New students (new families are given a 5-week grace period to allow time to purchase clothing).
- Itinerant and mobile students.
- Financial hardship.
- Genuine medical or family sickness.
- Special events determined by the school.
- other additional grounds the principal may determine.

ENFORCEMENT AND NON-COMPLIANCE

Students not in uniform or meeting dress code will be reminded of expectations. Students who do not wear uniform on a regular basis will be contacted by the school. If necessary, a meeting will be arranged between the family and principal.

The principal may take appropriate disciplinary action for intentional and persistent breach of the dress code.

