

## UNIFORMS

The Uniform Policy is designed to provide a uniform that is:

- Good quality
- Reasonably priced
- Readily available
- Comfortable and attractive to wear
- Reflecting our community standards.

- ❖ Uniform requirements are listed separately.
- ❖ All students are obliged to observe uniform requirements unless contrary permission is given by the Principal.
- ❖ Sports Uniform is only worn to school on days a student attends Physical Education classes or on other days as advised.
- ❖ There are no requirements for wet weather wear or school bags. Parents should ensure provision of these items with a view to student's health and safety.
- ❖ Uniform standards are explained in grooming and deportment regulations.
- ❖ Parents are required to provide a written explanation on each occasion a student attends school wearing an item of non-uniform attire.

## GROOMING

This set of regulations, refers to the manner in which students present themselves as identifiably representing St Joseph's School - during or after school hours, at or away from school premises.

Points for special note are:

- ❖ Shirts are worn tucked in waistbands of skirts, shorts and trousers.

- ❖ Shirt collar buttons are fastened when ties are worn in Terms II & III.
- ❖ Girls wear skirts and dresses to a length that touches the top of the knee.
- ❖ Footwear is to be cleaned regularly.
- ❖ Caps are worn with peaks to the front and hats with brims down.
- ❖ Female students who have pierced ears may wear one pair of matching "studs" or "sleepers", except for Physical Education and Sport when none are permitted.
- ❖ Exotic types of earrings are forbidden, as are studs, earrings or sleepers in any other parts of the body.
- ❖ Male students may not wear earrings - sleepers or studs.
- ❖ Male students who wish to have ears pierced should do so at the commencement of the end of year holiday break, to enable the healing process to be completed before returning to school.
- ❖ Students are forbidden to wear perfume, make up or nail polish. Roll-on or stick deodorants are acceptable. Spray deodorants are NOT allowed.
- ❖ Fashion haircuts/styling, colouring may result in exclusion from school, at least temporarily.
- ❖ For health reasons, students with shoulder length hair or longer, are to wear it tied back with a navy blue or black ribbon, band, clip or scrunchie. Hair must be kept off the face i.e. tied back. Male students must wear their hair above the top of the shirt collar. The Principal exercises discretion as to the acceptability or otherwise of hair styles.

- ❖ Rings and bangles of any description are forbidden for safety reasons. Neck chains, except those with a cross or approved religious medal attached, are forbidden. Chains are to be worn inside of the collar and out of view. They are NOT to be worn on Physical Education days, for both security and safety reasons.

## DEPORTMENT

These regulations apply to students posture and movement around the school. Students are expected to observe standards conducive to modesty, decency, good health and safety.

- ❖ Habitual lounging against walls / furniture, hands in pockets, are unacceptable.
- ❖ Walking pace is to be observed inside rooms, under covered ways and on sealed surfaces except during sport.
- ❖ Bicycles are not to be ridden in school grounds.
- ❖ Students are to observe quiet in classrooms after the bell / siren has sounded to begin class.
- ❖ Students are to move quietly during class times in order to minimise disruption of others.

## GENERAL CONDUCT

These regulations relate to the manner in which students exercise both rights and obligations to ensure all students have opportunity to learn, grow and develop, free from interference by others.

Points for special note are:

- ❖ Good manners are expected at all times.
- ❖ Conduct should reflect concern for the safety of self and others.
- ❖ Conduct should reflect respect for self and others.

The following constitute unacceptable conduct -

- ❖ Interference with the person or property of others, verbal or physical bullying, fighting, swearing, insolence, disobedience, wilful damage to school property or equipment, smoking, drug and/or alcohol related offences,
- ❖ Bringing objectionable material (written or otherwise) or dangerous goods to school or being involved in circulating same. Personal property of any description is not to be brought to school unless required for school activities. Such property should be clearly NAMED for identification.

## FORMAL DISCIPLINE

Formal disciplinary procedures are used to correct and amend unacceptable conduct before more serious action is required.

Points to note are:

- ❖ Disciplinary procedures are implemented progressively.
- ❖ Discipline may be exercised by any staff member to the level of informal counselling, reprimand, withdrawal of privilege, setting additional work for completion at home, or in personal time, at school, confiscation of unauthorised items, and referral of students to senior staff.
- ❖ Contact with parents may occur at all levels of disciplinary action, and most certainly, when such action relates to serious breaches of regulations.
- ❖ Formal counselling and increased levels of penalty in any of the above are exercised by delegated senior staff.
- ❖ Serious breaches of regulations and/or persistent minor breaches are dealt with by the Head of Primary, Deputy Principal and/or Principal. Action at this level may include - referral of students for professional help, detention and suspension from school or exclusion- (Principal decision).
- ❖ Students who breach school regulations in a serious manner or who fail to cooperate with efforts to have them correct persistent minor breaches of regulations risk exclusion from St Joseph's School.



## SCHOOL REGULATIONS

Regulations at St Joseph's School are intended to encourage students to develop

Ψ respect for self and others

Ψ courtesy

Ψ co-operation

Ψ a sense of service

\* responsibility

Ψ self-discipline

Ψ capacity to choose Christian morality as the basis of behaviour

Ψ a sense of personal freedom in the pursuit of goals

*Regulations are presented under two major headings UNIFORM (incorporating Grooming and Deportment) and, GENERAL CONDUCT (incorporating Formal Discipline)*