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## Kensington Public School Uniform Guidelines

In line with the Department of Education Kensington Public School have developed Uniform Guidelines

## Rationale:

A uniform dress code reinforces pride in student own appearance, instils recognition of themselves as an integral part of the school community and assists in developing pride in representing their school. Issues of equality, health and safety, and expense are also factors that contribute to the establishment of the Uniform Code.

## Aim:

- To promote equality amongst all students.
- To further develop a sense of pride in and identification with our school.
- To provide durable clothing that is cost effective and practical for our school environment.
- To maintain and enhance the positive image of the school in the community.

## Implementation:

- After consultation with the school community (P&C Association) and the Student Representative Council, the school has developed a Uniform Code that we believe provides choice for the students, allows for students to safely engage in the many varied school activities, and caters to families taking into consideration financial commitments.
- The Uniform Code applies during school hours, while travelling to and from school and when students are on school excursions.
- Summer and winter uniforms, as well as sports uniforms, will be prescribed and are required to be worn.

- Stud earrings and sleepers worn in the ears, plus watches are the only acceptable jewellery.
- Hair ties and accessories are to be school colours (yellow & green) and shoulder length hair tied up for all students as awareness of health issues.
- Hair should be presented neatly as to not be a distraction for the child or others during class, sport and play time. Extreme hair colours and extreme hairstyles are discouraged.
- The SunSmart School hat is consistent with our SunSmart policy and must be worn outside during recess, lunch, sport and any other outside activity. Hats should not to be worn inside. Baseball caps are not SunSmart.
- Parents and Citizens Association will operate the school Uniform Shop and will operate a second-hand uniform pool for parents as required.
- The Student Uniform price list will be available from the school office and/or P&C website.
- The entire school community will be responsible for implementation of the Uniform Code in a manner consistent with the Student and Parent Code of Conduct.
- Parents may seek exemptions to the Uniform Code due to religious beliefs, ethnic or cultural background, student disability or health conditions but must apply in writing to the Principal.
- Mufti clothes such as bright coloured clothing and jackets should only be worn on mufti days. Sleeveless tops are not permitted on mufti days due to sun safety concerns.
- The School has a Performance Uniform and it is required when a child performs. Parents will be informed of this when their child becomes involved in programs such as band and choir.
- Year 6 t-shirts can be worn in the school grounds but on days of representation, or photo days, the standard school t- shirt is to be worn.

We appreciate your support in showing pride in our school.

Ratified by the School Council 27/10/2020