



## Uniform Policy

The Plympton International College Uniform Policy is an important part of our school safety program. It has been developed and confirmed by the school community through the Governing Council. We expect the cooperation of students, parents and staff.

### Wearing the School Uniform

- Contributes to students' safety by providing clear identification of students in the school community
- Supports students to develop a sense of identity and pride with our school
- Reduces peer pressure and social stigmas
- Reduces distractions
- Redirects personal expression to schoolwork rather than personal appearance
- Lowers long term clothing costs
- Promotes a standard of dress in the learning environment

### Students

All students are expected to be in full uniform. The Plympton International College Uniform is the only acceptable uniform, approved by the Governing Council, and described on the attached schedule.

Uniform items are to be purchased through the school Uniform Shop. Black leather or synthetic leather (no canvas) school shoes can be purchased independently of the school.

Students out of school uniform will be expected to change into appropriate supplied uniform with the support of the School Leadership. Students who refuse to change will miss out on break periods, attend detention and will have their parents informed.

### Parents / Care Providers

Parents / Care Providers are asked to:

- Support the School Uniform Policy
- Check their child is in uniform each day
- Contact the school to clarify any questions in regard to school uniform
- Supply their child with a diary note for any temporary exemptions
- Ensure all items are labelled with their child's name
- Refer to the uniform and footwear guidelines before purchasing items

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### **Staff**

Class teachers Reception to Year 6 and Homegroup teachers Years 7 to 12 will:

- check students are in uniform
- inform parents through use of a blue sticker in diary if students are not in correct uniform
- send students to school office to obtain uniform when necessary
- inform Year Level Managers to follow up on students who miss out on any break times

The Leadership Team will meet with parents/students when necessary to ensure the policy is followed.

### **Exemption**

Principals may exempt students from the School Uniform upon written request from the Parent / Care Provider.

Grounds on which parents may seek exemption are:

- religious
- cultural or ethnic
- new students (time to purchase, wear previous uniform)
- itinerant students
- financial hardship
- genuine medical or family sickness reasons
- any other additional grounds as the Governing Council may determine.

### **Physical Education / Sports**

- Students must change into the sports uniform for physical education
- Students representing Plympton International College at sporting events will be required to wear appropriate uniform and some sports will be provided with a uniform

### **Hats**

The wearing of sun-safe hats during terms 1 and 4 is essential for all Primary School students. Senior School students are encouraged to be sun smart.

### **Make-up, Jewellery, Piercings**

- Excessive or inappropriate make-up is not acceptable
- Excessive or inappropriate Jewellery is not acceptable (stud earrings are acceptable)
- All physical facial / body piercings must be covered
- Extreme hair colours are not acceptable.

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