Catholic Education
Diocese of Rockhampton

St Mary's Catholic Primary School Rockhampton

School Uniform Policy

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Policy Statement

The school uniform will be worn by all students in a manner which positively reflects and promotes the values of our school community and our School Mission Statement. All students will wear the prescribed school uniform whilst at school and when representing the school within the wider community.

Description

Preamble

St Mary's Catholic Primary School is committed to the wearing of full School uniform by its students in Prep to Year 6. The school and home will cooperate to ensure the uniform is worn to a standard that reflects the school's values.

Rationale

The wearing of a school uniform helps to develop in the students a sense of pride and spirit in St Mary's Catholic Primary School. This policy will make all members of the school community aware of uniform requirements.

Values - Equality, Justice and Respect

The wearing of a School Uniform develops in the students a

- sense of identity and belonging to a community
- commitment and discipline
- sense of pride in the school

Implementation Issues

1. Parents/Guardians are to be made aware of the school's uniform requirements, including the wearing of jewellery, prior to enrolment acceptance.

2. Parents/Guardians will be responsible for ensuring that the uniform is worn in its entirety and is maintained in good repair.

3. The school community will recognise individual situations where difficulty exists and will accommodate those, in accordance with the Gospel Spirit.

4. The school administration will contact Parents/Guardians of children who fail to wear the prescribed uniform to discuss means of compliance.

5. The design of the uniform will be such that it is suitable for school activities and will endeavour to meet the individual needs of students.

6. The uniform should conform to guidelines set down by relevant authorities including factors of sun protection and equity.

7. The uniform should not attract a price that could preclude a child from wearing it because of cost.

8. The uniform will be able to be reviewed upon receipt of a formal request to the Principal from a properly constituted and published Parents and Friends General Meeting.

(i) Upon such a request, a uniform review committee will be formed comprising – Principal or nominee; two staff members; one Board member: four P&F members appointed at a general P&F Association meeting.

(ii) The minimum time between uniform reviews will be seven years from the year of implementation or sooner if material or clothing becomes unavailable.

(iii) In the event of a change in uniform, there should be a phasing in period of 18 months.

Reflection Material

St Mary's Catholic Primary School Mission Statement

St Mary's Catholic Primary School Special Religious Character