# Bonnyrigg Heights Primary School

A School Dedicated to Quality Teaching and Learning

## School Uniform Guidelines



#### Purpose

'The Department supports the wearing of school uniform which promotes a sense of belonging for students and creates a positive identity for the school community. School uniforms also contribute to the personal safety of students by allowing easier recognition of students inside the school and in the community'.

https://education.nsw.edu.au/policy-library/policies/school-uniform policy July 2018)

Bonnyrigg Heights Primary School prides itself on its smart uniform and the appearance of its students. A strong uniform culture ensures that all students, regardless of background and financial standing, have a sense of belonging and pride in themselves. All students at Bonnyrigg Heights are required to wear full school uniform each day. The wearing of correct school uniform ensures students are dressed in suitable, durable clothing that will protect them from the elements. The school's uniform has been selected in consultation with parents, students and staff and is a cost effective method of providing clothing for children at school. The uniform guidelines align with the Departments School Uniform Policy and guidelines.

#### Aim

To promote and monitor the wearing of school uniform in order to ensure students are wearing suitable, durable clothing that will protect them from the elements and will create a sense of pride and belonging in each student.

## Responsibilities

#### Parents:

- will understand school requirements and the necessity for students to wear school uniform.
- will encourage their children to wear the correct school uniform.
- will be informed if their child is consistently out of uniform and be encouraged to support the school in organising school uniforms for their children.

#### Class Teachers:

- model appropriate school attire that is suitable and protective from the elements.
- will be conversant with the Bonnyrigg Heights Primary School's Uniform Guidelines and the NSW Department of Education's School Uniform Policy
- will encourage students to wear the school uniform.
- will recognise and reward students wearing school uniform through verbal praise and the rewarding of raffle tickets for the fortnightly assemblies.

#### Grade Supervisor:

- will provide regular overseeing of the wearing of school uniform on their grade.
- will support parents to access funding/support that allows them to provide school uniforms for their child/children.

## Bonnyrigg Heights Primary School Uniform

Boys Summer Uniform	Girls Summer Uniform
Navy shorts with light blue short-sleeved shirt	Summer school dress Skorts with light blue peter pan shirt
Navy socks Black leather school shoes	White socks Black leather school shoes
Boys Winter Uniform	Girls Winter Uniform
Long navy pants with light blue, long sleeved shirt <b>OR</b>	Winter tunic with light blue, long sleeved peter pan shirt and navy stockings <b>OR</b>
Long navy pants with long sleeved light blue skivvy	Winter tunic with light blue, long sleeved skivvy with navy stockings <b>OR</b>
Navy blue school jacket with emblem	Navy slacks with long sleeved peter pan
Navy socks	shirt and white socks <b>OR</b>
Black leather school shoes	Navy slacks with long sleeved light blue skivvy and white socks
	Navy blue school jacket with emblem
	Black leather school shoes

## Sports uniform (unisex)

School sports polo shirt with emblem, maroon school sports shorts, white socks, sports shoes, school sport jacket or navy blue school jacket with emblem

#### School hat (unisex)

The maroon school hat with emblem is to be worn during all outdoor activities by students.

#### Hair accessories

School accessories and hair ties such as headbands, ribbons and bows need to be modest and minimal in size and should be navy or maroon in colour. Hijab coverings should be navy with a white or sky blue underscarf. Small sleepers or studs are appropriate earrings.

## School Uniform Shop

The school uniform shop stocks all school uniform items at a competitive price. The school uniform shop is operated by the school P & C. It is open twice a week and at various times throughout the year (Staff Development Day Term 1, Kinder Orientation). The school uniform is displayed near the front of the school next to the Uniform Shop.

Operating hours for school uniform shop are;

Tuesday: 2:00~3:00pm Thursday: 8:15~9:15am

Parents can also place an order and make payment at the school office. The uniform order will be delivered to the classroom for the student to take home.

## School Shoe Safety

<u>Black leather school shoes</u> must be worn each school day except for sports days where sports shoes are to be worn. If students are participating in PE lessons midweek, they will need to bring their sports shoes with them in their school bag. To adequately protect students, only black leather school shoes are acceptable. Black canvas or black sports shoes are not uniform.

#### Summer and winter uniforms

Students will be expected to wear summer uniform up until Week 4, Term 2. Winter uniform officially starts in Week 5 Term 2. The winter uniform will be worn until the end of Term 3. Summer uniform will be worn in Term 4.

### Recognising students in uniform

Students will be encouraged by staff and recognition will be given when wearing correct school uniform. Students who wear the correct uniform and school shoes daily will be given a raffle ticket to go into the fortnightly raffle in which they can win a canteen voucher. Students should be in uniform consistently to get a raffle ticket and must be in uniform on assembly day (so they are in uniform if called up to receive a uniform voucher).

#### Students who wear the incorrect uniform

Students who wear the incorrect uniform will be;

- -reminded by the teacher about the correct uniform.
- -asked to supply a note explaining the reason for incorrect uniform.
- -expected to purchase and wear correct uniform as soon as possible.
- -be limited to areas of the playground where they will be safe until they wear correct uniform. These areas include;
- \*no school hat-play in passive area and games court only

A note will be sent home for students who regularly wear the incorrect uniforms or school shoes.

If the problem persists, see your supervisor for more support.

Parents suffering financial hardship can speak to the Community Liaison Officer for advice and support. Second hand uniforms are also sold regularly by the school P and C each term.

Policy based on department's requirements for school uniforms or dress codes. NSW Department of Education: School Uniform Policy Statement: Last updated 23/7/2018

## **School Uniform Policy Guidelines Checklist**

✓ Policy checklist	(j) Policy information
Consultation: should include the following groups:  Students Teachers and other staff Parents/carers (including school Parents and Citizens'Association) Suppliers and retailers.	Each school's uniform must be the result of formal consultation with students, teachers and other staff and parents/carers (including the Parents and Citizens' Association).  Parents/carers must be given sufficient time to purchase items and schools may need to give parents/carers up to three years where there have been changes.  All suppliers and retailers must also be notified and given sufficient time to change the school uniform.  Source: School Uniform Policy
Wellbeing: factors to be considered:  The diversity of the school population (options areavailable within the agreed school uniform)  Uniform items encourage physical activity  Short and pants options are available, including specific options for girls  Items are affordable, comfortable for all body shapes andappropriate for a variety of learning and break-time activities  Appropriate, fair and consistent responses for students not following school uniform requirements.	The Department of Education requires that schools set local school uniform requirements.  A school's response to a student not wearing school uniform should be appropriate, fair and consistent.  A student cannot be suspended or expelled for not wearing school uniform.  Schools should positively encourage the wearing of a school uniform. Principals can make exemptions for not wearing a uniform after discussion with parents & carers, and if considered justified by the principal.
Health & Safety: factors to be considered:  Sun safe uniform items, including hats that protect the head, neck and ears  Uniform items necessary for particular activities, eg safe footwear  Availability of uniform items for cold and hot weather Road safety/visibility of uniforms.	Decisions about school uniform requirements must comply with work health and safety and anti-discrimination legislation.  A school uniform should promote the health and safety of students by identifying items necessary for particular activities to protect students from injury (for example, items for sun protection or safe footwear).  See: Health and Safety Directorate: (Intranet only) Footwear Guidelines for NSW Government Schools Sun Safety - overview and key steps
Supply and purchase: factors to be considered:  Families are well informed about uniform items necessary for health and safety reasons  Affordability of uniform items  Families are aware of available financial support to purchase uniform items if required  Clothing pool established and promoted for donations and access to low cost or loan uniform items  Procurement and Legal Services' advice regarding:  a nominated preferred supplier and/or  the establishment of a uniform shop to be run by anexternal organisation  Location and opening hours of preferred suppliers/ on-siteuriform shops provide reasonable opportunities for families to purchase uniform items  Supplier and retailer's details, including location and opening hours, are available on the school website and other school communication channels.	Schools must have written agreements in place to set out the terms and conditions of a 'uniform shop' and 'supply arrangements'. Schools must comply with procurement requirements to have an on-site uniform shop operated by any party, other than a Parents & Citizens Association.  School must advise parents on how they can access financial support if they are unable to purchase uniform items. To assist families, schools should organise facilities such as clothing pools.

For further information contact the Leader, Health and Wellbeing on 02 9244 5321. The diagram can also be printed and used as a planning and review checklist.

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