POLICY AREA

School Uniform Policy

RATIONALE

St Joseph’s School acknowledges the importance of wearing a full school uniform to promote

- A sense of belonging to a community.
- Equality, commitment and discipline.
- A sense of pride in the school.

VALUES

Community, Respect, Dignity, Equality, Commitment, Self Discipline.

POLICY STATEMENT

The wearing of St Joseph’s Catholic School uniform is compulsory as agreed in the enrolment contract.

CONDITIONS

1. Parents/Guardians will be responsible for ensuring personal presentation complies with the school standard as set out in attachment 1 - St Joseph’s Catholic School Biloela Dress Code and attachment 2 - St Joseph’s Catholic School Biloela Presentation Code.
2. The students will wear their uniform proudly every day and according to the school standard as set out in attachment 1 - St Joseph’s Catholic School Biloela Dress Code and attachment 2 - St Joseph’s Catholic School Biloela Presentation Code.
3. The uniform will conform with sun safe and workplace health and safety standards.
4. Parents/Guardians will be responsible for ensuring the uniform is worn in its entirety and is maintained in good repair.
5. A member of the school leadership team will contact parents/guardians of students to discuss repeated non-compliance to the uniform policy.
6. In circumstances of financial difficulty, parents/guardians are invited to discuss with the principal, practical assistance in providing the prescribed school uniform.
7. The principal retains the right to cancel the enrolment
of a student for repeated non-compliance to the uniform policy.

8. The principal may approve exemptions from the wearing of the school uniform for specific events.

9. The minimum time between uniform reviews will be seven years from the year of implementation. It may be sooner, if material or clothing becomes unavailable or a significant health and safety risk is identified.

10. If a new uniform is implemented, there will be a phasing in period of 2 years.

11. In order for a change of uniform to occur, a minimum of 60% of school families and staff would need to indicate by ballot, their desire for change.

12. Any change to the school uniform will require approval for the school board.
The students of St Joseph’s School have an excellent reputation for valuing and respecting the traditions of the school community. It is essential for the unity of the school that the school uniform, as an external expression of these values and respect, is worn correctly and with pride.

**DAY UNIFORM: Girls**
- Skorts: Navy embroidered with SJB
- Blouse: Check blouse with navy collar and emblem

**DAY UNIFORM: BOYS**
- Shorts: Navy embroidered with SJB
- Shirt: Blue formal button shirt

**SPORTS UNIFORM (BOYS AND GIRLS)**
- Shirt: Navy blue front panel with light blue sides with navy collar, emblem on front left
- Shorts: Navy as for day uniform

*The following items are worn with all uniform variations by Boys and Girls:*
- Hat: Bucket hat, navy blue with emblem
- Socks: Short Navy blue
- Shoes: Black, Lace up leather (all distinguishing colour features to be blacked out)

**Winter:** Navy blue jackets or jumpers
**Availability:** All uniforms are purchased from LOWES Rockhampton.

Parents are requested to notify the school in the event their child will not be wearing the correct school uniform.
| Condition of Uniform | • Uniform must be clean, neat and in good order.  
| | • Damaged uniform items must be replaced.  
| Sports Uniform | • The Sports Uniform or Senior Sports Shirts are to be worn on designated weekly sport and PE days. 
| Sports House Shirt | • Students are encouraged to wear the relevant House Polo shirt (Torsdale - Royal, Greycliffe - White, Kilburnie - Gold) instead of their school sports shirt at inter-house carnivals. 
| Jewellery | Only the following jewellery may be worn:  
| | • Conventional wrist watch.  
| | • Small gold or silver cross / religious medallion on a chain.  
| | • Plain small sleepers or studs. (One of the same type in each ear lobe.)  
| | • Medical alerts are acceptable.  
| | • Loom bands are not permitted. 
| Hair | • Unkempt and unruly hairstyles are not permitted.  
| | • Hair is to be no shorter than a number-two cut.  
| | • Hair is to be their own natural colour. (Bleached/unnatural colours are not acceptable)  
| | • Undercuts, tracks or similar cuts are not permitted.  
| | • Hair, when shoulder length or longer, is to be tied back with material that is navy, sky or white.  
| | • Hair is to be neat and tidy.  
| | • If doubt exists with a style of hair, a student or parent should check with the Principal before having a style change. 
| ‘Free Dress Days | • On ‘free dress’ days, students must wear appropriate clothing which is not revealing and doesn’t carry inappropriate images or messages. 
| | • Sun safe practices must be followed.  
| | • Thongs and scuffs are not permitted. 
| Fingernails | • Fingernails should be trimmed to fingertip length.  
| | • Coloured fingernail polish is not permitted. 
| Security | • All clothing should be clearly marked with student’s name. 
| Acceptable | • The Principal retains the right to decide what is acceptable. |