St Francis de Sales, Oak Park
UNIFORM POLICY

RATIONALE: St. Francis de Sales Primary School has an official uniform, which all students attending the school are required to wear at all times.

BELIEFS OR VALUES:
At St Francis de Sales we believe our Policy should reflect the ideals contained in the Vision Statement.

We believe the uniform:
* Is a sign of our community
* Assists to develop a sense of student unity, pride and loyalty to our school and to its vision.
* Encourages students to take pride in their appearance.
* Eliminates competition in what students wear.

IMPLEMENTATION:

The following structures will be implemented within the school: In accepting enrolment, families are stating their intention to comply with the uniform requirements.
As a Catholic School community we are mindful that no one should be disadvantaged by this requirement, therefore should families require assistance with the cost of the uniform they should make arrangements with the Principal.

Students are to wear normal school uniform to and from school each day; students may wear sports uniform all day on those days when sports uniform is required.

During the cooler weather jackets/coats, scarves, gloves may be worn to and from school and at recess and lunch times when the students are outside. We request that where possible these garments are predominantly navy and are free of advertisements or product endorsements. As we have adequate heating in classrooms, outdoor wear is not to be worn while students are inside the school buildings.
**Jewellery**
In regard to jewellery, students may wear:
* Watch of reasonable size and appearance.
* Light chain with a small cross, around their neck.
* Maximum of 1 silver or gold stud or sleeper (small) in the lower lobe of each ear.

**Hair and make up**
Hairstyles for both girls and boys should be neat, clean and tidy and not extreme nor dyed. Hair longer than shoulder length must wear be tied or clipped back off the face. Hair ties/head bands/ribbons are to be light blue, navy or white. Make up and coloured nail polishes are not to be worn except for approved school activities.

**School Hats :**
Australia has the highest incidence of skin cancer in the world. The major cause of common skin cancers is cumulative, unprotected exposure to the sun, with research indicating that most skin cancers occur during childhood and adolescence. As a means of encouraging our students to practise preventative over-exposure to the sun measures, St Francis de Sales School implements a “No Hat – No Play Policy”. Students are required to wear sun-safe school hats, which are designed to protect the face and neck.

It is the responsibility of all parents to ensure that students are attired in correct, well fitting, complete school uniform. Uniforms must be in good condition and repair. Correct uniform is to be worn during school hours, and to and from school.

Staff members conduct a daily check of uniform standards. Should there be any digression from the school’s dress code the following process will be followed:
* Occasion 1 Class Teacher Warning
* Occasion 2 Principal Warning
* Occasion 3 Uniform Note
* Occasion 4 Principal/Parent conference to discuss problem.

If some accident or difficulty prevents children from wearing full uniform on any particular day, parents are required to send a note of explanation to the child's class teacher.

All items of uniform are to be clearly marked with the child's name we advise using permanent markers or sewn-on name tapes, not ball point pens.
A lost property box is located in the central corridor. Parents and
children are encouraged to check this area if clothing or other items are lost.

As a general rule children will wear Summer Uniform Terms 1 & 4, Winter Uniform Terms 2 & 3. Dates for change over and any variations will be confirmed in the School Newsletter.

**New items in this list will be fully implemented by February 2016.**

**EVALUATION:** The staff, a committee of parents and School Advisory Board will be involved in formal evaluation of the Uniform Policy.

**MEMBERS INVOLVED:**
Staff, Uniform Committee, School Advisory Board.
**DATE OF RATIFICATION:** November 2013

**Summer Uniform:**

**Boys**
- Grey school trousers or grey school shorts.(not jeans or cords)
- Blue school shirt.
- Plain black school shoes with grey socks.
- Navy Woollen Pullover or v-necked windcheater with school emblem.
- School Hat with emblem
- School Bag

**Girls**
- Blue and white checked dress - available from W & R Schoolwear.
- Navy Woollen Pullover or v-necked windcheater with school emblem.
- Plain black school shoes
- Navy Cotton Anklet socks.
- School Hat with emblem
- School Bag
Winter Uniform:

Rainproof jacket in school colours with embroidered school emblem (optional) - available from W & R Schoolwear

Boys
Grey school trousers or grey school shorts (not jeans or cords)
Blue school shirt, or skivvy,
Navy Woollen Pullover or v-necked windcheater with school emblem.
Plain black shoes with grey socks.

Girls
Navy slacks
Blue/grey tartan tunic or skirt - available from W & R Schoolwear
Navy Woollen Pullover or v-necked windcheater with school emblem.
Blue school blouse with peter pan collar, or skivvy,
Plain black school shoes with navy socks or tights.

Sports Uniform:

Boys
Navy rugby top with school emblem and light blue detail - available from W & R Schoolwear
Navy track pants
Navy shorts.
Light blue polo shirt with school emblem and house colour stripe.
White sports socks.
Sports shoes (predominantly white or navy)

Girls
Navy rugby top with school emblem and light blue detail - available from W & R Schoolwear
Navy track pants
Navy shorts.
Light blue polo shirt with school emblem and house colour stripe.
White sports socks.
Sports shoes (predominantly white or navy)
Navy netball skirt. Or “skort”