Sunshine Heights Primary School
Uniform Policy

Rationale:

• A uniform dress code reinforces in students a pride in their own appearance, instils recognition of themselves as an integral part of the school community, and assists in developing pride in representing their school. Issues of equality, health and safety, and expense are also factors that contribute to the establishment of the Dress Code.

Aims:

• To promote equality amongst all students.
• To further develop a sense of pride in, and identification with our school.
• To provide durable clothing that is cost effective and practical for our school environment.
• To maintain and enhance the positive image of the school in the community.

Implementation:

• An effective Uniform Policy must be developed to provide choice for the students, so they are able to safely engage in the many varied school activities, and caters for the financial constraints of families.
• The Uniform Policy applies during school hours, while travelling to and from school, and when students are on all school excursions.
• The Uniform Policy also takes into consideration the summer and winter months.
• Stud earrings and sleepers worn in the ears, plus watches are the only acceptable jewellery.
• Other than clear nail polish, cosmetics may not be worn at school.
• The only hats that are acceptable are Sun smart hats that are sold at the school which are consistent with our Sun smart policy. They must be worn outside whenever the UV levels are 3 or more.
• Details of uniform items are on display in the corridor. Times and days uniform can be purchased are published in the weekly newsletter.
• Hair longer than shoulder length should be tied back. Extreme hair colours (eg: green, pink or purple rinses) and/or extreme hairstyles (e.g. spikes or mohawks) are not permitted.
• School Council requires the Principal be responsible for implementation of the Uniform Policy in a manner consistent with the Student Code of Conduct.
• Arrangements can be made to supply uniforms via State Schools Relief for families experiencing economic hardship.
• Parents seeking exemptions to the Uniform Policy due to religious beliefs, ethnic or cultural background, student disability, health condition or economic hardship must apply in writing to the Principal.

Evaluation:

• This policy will be reviewed as part of the school’s three-year review cycle.

Policy ratified by School Council
Policy to be reviewed in 2015