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## STUDENT UNIFORM POLICY

### Rationale:

A uniform dress code reinforces in students a pride in their own appearance, instills recognition of themselves as an integral part of the school community, and to create a sense of collective and individual pride in students and their identification with the school. Issues of equality, health and safety, and expense are also factors that contribute to the establishment of the Creswick North Primary School 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
- Parents/Guardians should endeavor to dress their children according to the likely weather conditions.
- All students are strongly encouraged to wear the school uniform to school each day
- On all school outings, excursions and Cluster activities, all students are required to wear the maroon school windcheater and/or the gold/maroon polo shirt.
- The Creswick North Primary School uniform includes:-
  - Winter
    - Maroon school Windcheater
    - Maroon tracksuit pants/grey long pants
  - Summer
    - Gold/Maroon polo shirt with school emblem
    - Grey shorts
    - Maroon culottes/Blue gingham school dress
    - School Legionnaire sun hat/Maroon slouch hat
- The following Sun Smart initiatives will be encouraged:-
  - Sun hats must be worn outside in Terms 1 and 4
  - Sunscreen will be available for students to use at school.
- Suitable footwear should be worn at all times. Thongs are not acceptable unless there is a medical reason.
- Creswick North Primary School Junior School Council will hold regular "Free Dress" days throughout the year.

### **Implementation:**

- The Creswick North Primary School Dress Code policy will be implemented from this time forward.
- After consultation with the school community, School Council has developed a Dress Code that we believe provides choice for the students, allows for students to safely engage in the many varied school activities, and caters for the financial constraints of families.
- The Creswick North Primary School Dress Code applies during school hours, while travelling to and from school and when students are on school excursions.
- Extreme hair colours (eg: green, pink or purple rinses) and/or extreme hairstyles (eg: spikes or mohawks) are not permitted.
- Other than clear nail polish, cosmetics may not be worn at school
- The only headwear that is acceptable is Sunsmart hats consistent with our Sunsmart Policy. They must be worn outside in Terms 1 and 4.
- The student Dress Code, including details of uniform items and places of purchase, will be published in the newsletter at the start of each year.
- All prospective students and parents will be notified of the Dress Code requirements prior to enrolment.
- Creswick North Primary School Council requires the Principal be responsible for implementation of the Dress Code in a manner consistent with the Student Code of Conduct.
- Arrangements can be made to supply uniforms via State School Relief for families experiencing economic hardship.
- Parents seeking exemption to the Dress Code due to religious beliefs, ethnic or cultural background, student disabilities, health conditions or economic hardship must apply in writing to the School Council.

### **Evaluation:**

This policy will be reviewed every three years as part of the school's three year review cycle.

### **Certification:**

This policy was endorsed by School Council at the meeting held on 13 December 2017