

Uniform and Appearance Policy - Mitcham Campus (Junior School)

The Scotch College uniform is distinctive. Wearing the uniform fosters cohesion, inclusivity, and school pride among our students. In wearing the uniform, students are ambassadors for the College. Teachers and parents are requested to support students in the wearing of correct uniform and appearance.

Scope:

This policy applies to all students in the Junior School when they are wearing the College uniform (before, during, and after the school day).

Summer Uniform Terms 1 and 4:

- For Years 3 – 6, girls wear the College summer dress OR the summer blouse and navy shorts, along with short white socks and black lace-up shoes (or navy leather Roman or T bar sandals). Ribbons - blue, gold, tartan, fire-engine red, or white only
- For Years 3 – 6, boys wear College grey shorts and short sleeve banded shirt, College grey socks and black lace up shoes (or brown / navy leather Roman or T bar sandals)
- Blazers and ties are optional (unless there is a formal event/ ceremony where they are required – this will be communicated to families)
- Typically, students may wear their sport/PE clothes to school or home from school only when these activities begin or end their day (**in response to the Covid Pandemic we are minimising the need for students to gather and change together. Requirements for changing will be communicated at the top of your child's class timetable located on the classroom Scotch Life page*)
- Reception – Year 2 students wear blue College shorts or skirt together with Scotch polo shirt, College white sports socks (2 lengths available) and predominantly white, blue or black sneakers/sandshoes (no fluorescents)
Blue leather sandals may also be worn
- All students must wear College bucket hat (designed for Year 3 – 6 students) or broad-brimmed hat (designed for Prep to Year 2 students) when outdoors whenever the UV is 3 or above, in line with our Sun Protection policy.

Winter Uniform Terms 2 and 3:

- For Years 3 – 6, girls wear the kilt OR navy long pants, with the white long-sleeved blouse and necktie tab. College navy blue socks or tights. Students may only wear black lace up shoes (Years 3-6)
- For Years 3 – 6, boys wear College grey shorts or grey trousers, blue stripe shirt and tie and College grey socks. Students may only wear black lace up shoes (Years 3-6)
- In Terms 2 and 3, students must wear their blazer (Year 3-6) or jacket (Prep- Year 2) to and from the College – this must be the outer garment over the winter uniform (Nb. jumpers to be worn under)
- Prep – Year 2, students wear College navy trousers, long sleeve polo, woollen jumper and jacket and College white sport socks (two lengths available). Students may only wear predominantly white, black or blue sneakers/sandshoes (no fluorescent)
- The navy-blue Scotch raincoat and Hotham Jacket are optional items to protect outer garments in *inclement weather*.

PE/ Sports Uniform:

- For Years 3-6, PE uniform consists of the College navy sports shorts, navy/gold stripe polo shirt, sports socks (2 lengths available), predominantly white, blue or black sneakers/sandshoes (no fluorescent) and a sports jacket OR rugby top. PE uniform is to be worn when participating in any PE lesson or timetabled sport program
- Students who participate in competitive sports (Year 4 to 6), where they are representing the College, will be advised by the Sports Coordinator as to which uniform items are required for competition. (See key sample items at the end of this policy)
- In cooler weather, students may wear the College rugby top OR sports jacket as the outer garment over their PE uniform only, to and from school
- N/B. Students attending an overseas sporting exchange (such as the Year 6 Kristin Sporting and Cultural Exchange to New Zealand) may be required to wear either the Sport Jacket OR Rugby top, as stated, as part of the team uniform.

Year 6 Rugby Top (optional):

- The Year 6 students are invited to purchase a Year 6 rugby (available for order through Junior School Administration, in Term 4 of Year 5). The Year 6 rugby top can only be worn as the outer garment with the PE uniform, to and from school

- The Year 6 rugby may be worn within the school grounds
- This piece of uniform must not be worn in place of a blazer (to and from school or for formal occasions)
- The Year 6 top cannot be worn for competition sport, where students are representing the school
- This piece of uniform would be considered a breach of uniform if worn at Middle School the following year.

General Uniform and Appearance Protocols:

- Hair – must be worn in a conventional style and be a natural colour. Hair must be neat, tidy, combed and off the collar or tied up (both boys and girls). Ribbons may be navy, tartan, white, fire engine red or gold
- Jewellery (discrete) – One watch or bracelet, one fine gold or silver neck chain tucked inside the blouse, dress or shirt and one plain ring are permitted (however, discouraged). One pair of plain gold or silver stud earrings in the lobe, and not higher in the ear may be worn
- Kilts and Summer Dress – Summer dress to be worn at the knee. Kilts may be worn slightly longer, not shorter
- Socks – All students must wear school issue socks that cover the ankle
- Scarves – The uniform rules allow students to wear a scarf that is either plain navy blue or the Campbell of Argyll-modern tartan. Scarves are optional and not to be worn indoors
- Hats – students must wear hats when outdoors any time the UV is 3 or above. Tennis caps and football beanies are only to be worn in the context of their given sports. The College bucket hat (designed for Year 3 to 6) or broad-brimmed hat (designed for Prep to Year 2) is to be worn at all other times
- Naming – all articles of clothing belonging to students, including shoes, must be clearly marked with at least one initial and surname in full, with either woven name tapes or proper marking ink. It is important that second-hand items have the original owner's name removed
- Ragtagd – a tracking chip can be purchased from the Scotch Shop and sewn into clothing. Items of clothing that are returned to Junior School lost property are then detected and a message sent to the parent of the owner.

Differentiation:

- As an inclusive school we are keen to discuss with your family ways in which we can accommodate your child and their sense of belonging. Please don't hesitate to ask the manager of the Scotch Shop for options to cater to sensory needs, wool allergies, non-binary or transgender identity, or other physical needs.
- Further special uniform and jewellery considerations may be directed to Mitcham Campus Leadership on a case-by-case basis.

Year 4 – 6 Competitive Sports uniform:

- The following is a sample selection of uniform worn for competition sport. Full details of requirements can be found on the College website or by contacting the Scotch Shop.



AFL

Soccer

Netball

Basketball



Cricket / Tennis