School Uniform
The wearing of school uniform is encouraged to develop pride in and the feeling of belonging to the school. The P&C underwent extensive consultation to ensure that the uniform suited all purposes.

For health and safety reasons inappropriate footwear and clothing are not acceptable as school wear. Canvas shoes are not protective enough for use at school. Students must wear appropriate footwear (uniform is black) which supports and protects their feet for all activities.

Makeup and facial piercings are also not acceptable at school. Jewellery accessories, particularly long earrings, rings, neck chains etc are not part of school uniform. These items are not safe when worn to school and can cause serious injury to the student wearing them or to other students in playground games and crowded classrooms. Ears can be pierced but must be taped or covered for sporting and practical activities where appropriate.

Students must wear a broad brimmed hat for their own protection. Those without hats will be restricted to play or do activities in the covered outdoor learning area (COLA) of the playground during both the recess and the lunch periods during Terms 1 and 4. Please note baseball caps will be confiscated following one warning.

Under anti discrimination legislation school uniform requirements must avoid direct and indirect discrimination and under equal opportunity legislation uniforms must enable both sexes to participate actively and safely in school life.

The wearing of school uniforms by students will assist in:
• defining an identity for the school within its community
• developing students’ sense of belonging to the school community
• providing an opportunity to build school spirit
• enhancing the health and safety of students when involved in school activities
• promoting a sense of inclusiveness, non discrimination and equal opportunity
• reinforcing the perception of the school as an ordered and safe environment
• increasing the personal safety of students and staff by allowing easier recognition of visitors and potential intruders in the school
• promoting positive community perceptions of public education
• making school clothing more affordable for families by eliminating the risk of peer pressure to wear transiently fashionable and expensive clothes.

School uniforms should:
• cater for all students in the school community in a manner sensitive to gender and local cultural and social issues including cultural and religious diversity
• meet requirements of occupational health and safety, anti-discrimination and equal opportunity legislation
• promote the health and safety of students by identifying items necessary for particular activities e.g. items for sun protection
• include items that are affordable, comfortable, made from easy-care and easy wear fabrics, appropriate for activity and suitable for all body shapes
• provide girls and boys with equal access to the full range of school activities
• be reviewed regularly and amended as needed (at least every 5 years).

Students can be regularly encouraged to wear uniform and rewarded for doing so. On occasions where students are representing the school, they may be required to be in uniform, and be excluded from the activity if they are not, eg ANZAC day activities.