



# CHATSWOOD HILLS STATE SCHOOL

## PARENTS & CITIZENS ASSOCIATION

### UNIFORM POLICY

#### PURPOSE

The purpose of this policy is to define the uniform requirements and dress standards for Chatswood Hills State School Students.

#### POLICY DETAILS

The Chatswood Hills State School (CHSS) is a *uniform school*. CHSS believes in order to achieve an agreeable school tone and to project a positive image in the community all students are expected to follow the School Dress Code. The school prides itself on having a high support for wearing school uniforms. It provides a more egalitarian atmosphere for children to work within, reducing the incidence of bullying related to clothing. In addition, it supports our Workplace Health and Safety policy by making our students readily identifiable both within the school grounds and outside on school excursions. It also strengthens the community perception of our school as a quality school, in that our students appear smartly dressed and well presented.

Following of the Dress Code is supported by all school staff and the P&C Association. Students are expected to be in the correct school uniform every day and abide by the policy at all times, including to and from school. The standards and expectations of this policy will be supported by the school Behaviour Management Policy and curriculum delivery.

#### DRESS CODE

1. Wearing of the full school uniform is expected.
2. Fully enclosed black shoes and broad-brimmed school hats are to be worn.
3. Old style sports shirts are to be tucked into shorts during school hours. Dress shirts/blouses and year 6 and 7 graduation shirts can be worn outside culottes/shorts.
4. Play is not permitted without appropriate footwear and a broad brimmed school hat. **No hat no play.**
5. The wearing of jewellery is to be kept to a minimum. One sleeper or stud in each ear and wrist watches are permissible. No other visible piercing is permitted. Jewellery of medical, cultural or religious importance may be worn if a note of explanation has been received by the school and the Principal has given approval. No responsibility is taken for any items worn or bought to school.
6. Hair should be neat, tidy and well groomed. Hair of shoulder length or longer, must be tied back. Hair ties should be consistent with school colours (e.g. navy, white, jade, black, brown). Inappropriate hair colouring or styling is not acceptable.
7. Prep students will be identifiable by wearing a coloured band around their school hat.

#### DRESS STANDARD

The school uniform is to be worn at all times.

The sports uniform and dress uniform may be interchanged except on school excursions and school photographs, when full dress uniform must be worn. Sports uniform must be worn for interschool sports. Sports shorts are only to be

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worn for interschool and representative sports events. Dress uniform is to be worn on excursions, school photographs and special formal events as requested.

- The uniform must be worn modestly with shorts and skirts on the waist. Boys shorts must be above the knee.
- Joggers may only be black - plain black matching laces are to be worn.
- Undershirts, if worn, must be plain white and not visible at sleeves or neck.

School bags are preferred to be in school colours and have waist support, thick straps, padded back, and be size appropriate for students needs.

Uniform	Boys	Girls
Formal/Dress	Dress Shirt, Navy blue shorts, White ankle socks, Black shoes/ black joggers School badge is optional	Blouse & tie. (a tie must be worn with blouse) Navy blue culottes, (not shorts) White ankle socks, Black shoes/ black joggers School badge is optional
Sports	Polo Shirt- new or old design Navy blue shorts, White ankle socks, joggers, School broad-brimmed hat. (Old style shirts are to be tucked into shorts during school hours)	Polo shirt, Navy blue culottes, White ankle socks, Joggers. School broad-brimmed hat. (Old style shirts are to be tucked into shorts during school hours)
Interschool Sports / Representative Sports. (Stage 2 & 3)	Polo Shirt. Unisex Representative Sports shorts. Sports shorts to be worn ONLY for interschool and representative school events.	Polo Shirt Unisex Representative Sports shorts. Sports shorts to be worn ONLY for interschool and representative school events.
Winter	Long sleeved polo shirts are available from uniform shop. Microfibre jacket/pants or plain navy blue school sweatshirt and trackpants. Plain navy blue tracksuit may also be worn. School navy jumper. Gloves, scarves, beanies can be worn, as long as they are in School colours.	Long sleeved polo shirts are available from uniform shop. Microfibre jacket/pants or plain navy blue school sweatshirt and trackpants. Plain navy blue tracksuit may also be worn. School navy jumper. Navy tights are permitted with culottes. Gloves, scarves, beanies can be worn, as long as they are in School colours.

### ITEMS not PERMITTED

The following items are not permitted:

- Clothing with offensive slogans, inappropriate footwear such as thongs and sandals, jeans, jackets/sweatshirts in colours other than navy, boots above the ankle, long socks, singlets, mid-riff tops, coloured bandanas, netball skirts. Cargo shorts and hoodies are not permitted.
- Nail polish is not to be worn.
- Use of aerosols is not permitted. However, older students may use roll on deodorant if desired.
- Make up is not permitted.
- No visible rub on/temporary tattoos or stickers are to be worn

### GRADE 6 and 7 STUDENTS

Students in Grade 6 and 7 will be given the opportunity to order and wear Graduation or commemorative shirts. These shirts can be worn as an alternative uniform, except for excursions, school photos and representative sports and other school events.

## **FREE DRESS DAYS**

Free Dress Days are considered to be school days and learning programs are expected to proceed as normal. On occasions where alternative programs are implemented in conjunction with free dress days, personal presentation standards and Behaviour Management Policy will remain the guiding principles.

The main purpose of student free dress days is to support Student Council fund raising activities in a manner that demonstrates responsible student behaviour.

Please note while the regular uniform is not worn on these days, the essence of Uniform Policy must still be adhered to as outlined in the following details:

- All footwear is to be closed in. High platform shoes and thongs are not suitable footwear.
- Normal jewellery and make-up rules apply.
- No item of clothing that promotes, advertises or illustrates references to dangerous and/or illegal substances is to be worn.
- No pictures of offensive language (including swearing and discriminatory words or phrases) are to appear on any items of clothing.
- Items of clothing are to be sober in nature and appropriately modest. Tops need to be sleeved, to comply with Sunsmart School rules. Skirts, shorts and similar items must be of modest length, not too tight and not so low on the hips as to show any skin.
- Items of clothing should be in good repair and properly laundered. Clothing is not to display designer holes.
- Underwear is not to be worn as outer wear.

Free dress does not mean a competition, nor is it an excuse for a fashion parade.

Parents will be contacted and asked to bring different clothing for students whose clothing is unacceptable or inappropriate, or the students will be referred to the Office where the consequences of our Uniform Policy may be implemented.

## **UNIFORM POLICY BREACHES**

In instances where a student is not wearing the correct uniform a note will be sent home to advise the parent / caregiver of the concern and allow a chance for the problem to be rectified before the student is issued with a consequence. An example of this note follows.

Students who continue to choose not to abide by the policy can expect a consequence for their breach. The consequence may be influenced by the age of the student, the frequency of breaches, and any other mitigating factors. Consequences for breaches may include but are not limited to:

- Direction to remedy the breach (i.e remove jewellery, makeup)
- Suspension from optional activities when in incorrect uniform (excursions; school sport etc)
- Note home to parent with a copy of the uniform policy reminding of the uniform expectations
- Restricted play session
- Given second hand / spare uniform to wear while on school premises
- Class reprimand and onto level two of the behaviour phase
- Child removed from classroom / playground and general student body
- Child sent home to change
- Suspension from school (for continual refusal to follow uniform policy)

If for any reason the correct uniform cannot be worn, a note is required from the parent / caregiver to the classroom teacher explaining the circumstance. In this instance time will be given to allow new / replacement items to be obtained with the school expectation being that this will occur as soon as possible.

## Chatswood Hills State School – Uniform Reminder

To Parent Caregiver of \_\_\_\_\_

I would like to advise that your child was in breach of our school Uniform Policy today.

Specifically, they \_\_\_\_\_

As you have been made aware, Chatswood Hills SS is a uniform school and the expectation is that all students will be in correct uniform every day.

We appreciate your support in helping us maintain our uniform standards and policy and invite you to please contact the office or P&C if you are experiencing any difficulty with this.

Students who refuse to follow school rules may find themselves subject to consequences under the school's Behaviour Management Policy.

Thank you

School Principal and

CHSS P&C Association

