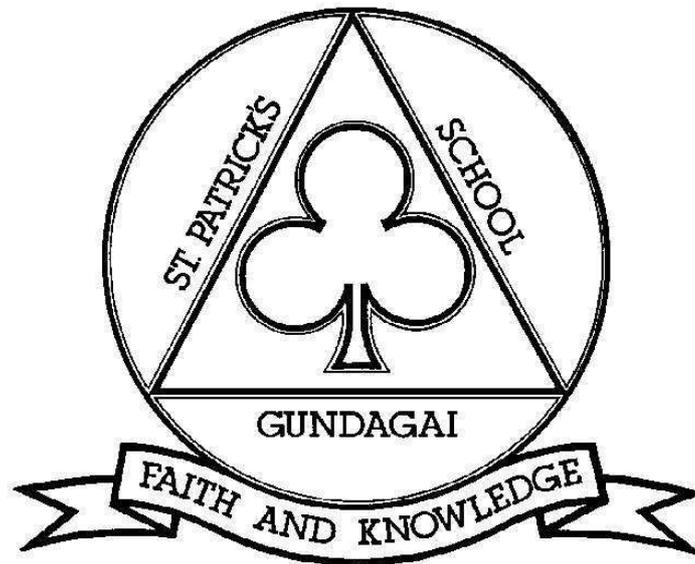


**ST. PATRICK'S PARISH
PRIMARY SCHOOL
GUNDAGAI**



UNIFORM POLICY

1.0 Purpose

To provide students, parents and staff of St Patrick's with guidelines to ensure that our school uniform is worn correctly and with pride, and that the children of St Patrick's always present themselves in a tidy and acceptable manner.

2.0 Policy

- 2.1** At St Patrick's Parish Primary School Gundagai, we encourage the children to be neat and tidy in their personal appearance and to wear the correct school uniform at all times.
- 2.2** The uniform should be in good repair, clean and clearly labelled. By wearing the uniform correctly and neatly, the children show pride in themselves and their school. We rely on the support of parents and carers to ensure this happens.
- 2.3** The Summer Uniform is worn in Terms 1 and 4 and the Winter Uniform is worn in Terms 2 and 3.
- 2.4** Thursday is Sports Day and the children are required to wear their sports uniform to school. Parents will be notified by the school if this changes.
- 2.5** The appearance and personal grooming of the children at St Patrick's forms part of the Uniform Policy.
- 2.6** Parents, children and teachers are directed to the following points as guidelines in assessing the appearance and personal grooming of students at St Patrick's.
- (1) Children are to wear their school hat during school hours.
 - (2) Children are to have natural coloured hair (no tints).
 - (3) Children are not to have extreme hair styles. "Normal" hairstyles of reasonable length are worn by both boys and girls. (Normal = acceptable to the majority of parents in the country community of Gundagai in which we live)
 - (4) Children are to tie their hair back when it is possible to do so.

- (5) Hair Accessories are to be simple in style and dark green or Navy Blue in colour. Elastics should blend into natural hair colour. No fluorescent bands.
- (6) Children are not permitted to wear bracelets, rings or necklaces (Religious medallion on a chain worn inside the uniform is acceptable and only solid gold or silver bangles are permitted)
- (7) Children are permitted to wear only one stud or sleeper in each ear.
- (8) Children are not to wear, make-up or nail polish.
- (9) Children are to wear appropriate "school issue" footwear. No sports joggers or casual leisure shoes are to be worn with the normal School uniform.

The general rule is, if shoes are required to be polished with black shoe polish or a vinyl polish they are acceptable. If shoes or boots are a suede type then they are not acceptable footwear.

- (10) Children are to wear appropriate socks. No coloured trim or low cut "anklet" socks.
- (11) Children are not to wear any coloured underwear that is visible under their uniform.
- (12) All children will wear "Sun- Smart"(Rashie) swimwear when participating in the School Swimming Program. No bikini style swimmers are to be worn without a "Rashie".
- (13) Children are not to wear their sports shorts or underwear as swimmers unless they have a clean dry pair of sports shorts and underwear to change into after swimming.

3.0 Uniform Requirements

Summer Uniform

Girls – Knee length summer school tartan dress and school hat.
 Black school issue shoes and white socks, or brown or black sandals.
 School polar fleece is able to be worn with the summer uniform if needed

Boys – Grey shorts (not cargo pants with multiple thigh pockets) lemon shirt and school hat.
Black school issue shoes or boots and black socks or brown or black sandals.
School polar fleece is able to be worn with the summer uniform if needed

Winter Uniform

Girls – Knee length winter tartan tunic or trousers, lemon shirt, school tie, green woollen school jumper and school hat. Sports polar fleece may not be worn as part of the winter school uniform, as it is part of the sports uniform only.
Black school issue shoes and black socks or tights.
School jacket or navy/black/green parka.

Boys – Long grey trousers (not cargo pants with multiple thigh pockets), lemon shirt, school tie, green woollen school jumper and School hat. Sports polar fleece may not be worn as part of the winter School uniform as it is part of the sports uniform only.
Black school issue shoes or boots and black socks.
School jacket or navy/black/green parka.

Sports Uniform

Girls – Green jersey shorts or track pants, gold polo shirt, school polar fleece and school hat.

Predominately white lace up or Velcro fastened joggers. Casual slip-on shoes, white or otherwise must not be worn. White socks.

Boys – Green (with gold stripe) football shorts or green track pants, gold polo shirt, school polar fleece and school hat.

Predominately white lace up or Velcro fastened joggers. Casual slip-on shoes, white or otherwise must not be worn. White socks.

3. Procedure

3.1 Labelling of Uniforms

All uniform items should be clearly labelled with the child's name. Other items that children bring to school (such as drink bottles, lunchboxes, bags- school and library) should also be clearly labelled.

3.2 School Hats

The school hat is a compulsory part of the school uniform and is worn all year round. St Patrick's has a strict policy of "No Hat, No Play". If children do not wear their school hat, they are required to sit out at play time. We do not share hats at St Patrick's for health and hygiene reasons.

3.3 Uniform Shop

To assist parent in purchasing their uniforms, the St Patrick's P&F operates a Uniform Shop. The uniform shop is a service for parents and children – it is not for profit or fundraising. A Clothing Pool is also available to purchase second hand uniform items. If school uniform items are purchased from elsewhere, please ensure that they conform to school standards.

3.4 Lost Property

If an item of clothing is lost at school, the children should check the Lost Property basket in the Secretary's office. If the item is not found, parents are asked to contact the school about placing a note in the weekly school newsletter. Again, the importance of labelling clothes is stressed.

4. Evaluation

St Patrick's Uniform Policy will be evaluated by the staff and parents of St Patrick's as the need arises or prior to next Registration. The evaluation will be implemented using the procedures/guidelines set down in St Patrick's Evaluation Policy.