School Councils have the authority to create and implement dress codes for their students. This authority arises from a ministerial Order under the Education Act 1958.

**Purpose**

This policy outlines the expectation of our school community regarding student appearance. These expectations apply during school hours, while travelling to and from school, and when students are engaged in school activities out of school hours.

A clean and well maintained uniform is an essential aspect of school life. It contributes to the process of developing a sense of identity and pride in being a student at Kunyung Primary School. Its distinctive colour assists in security and safety matters as well as promoting the school in the wider community.

**Guidelines**

**Uniform**

- Compulsory navy blue broad brimmed hat in terms 1 & 4
- Navy full length pants (no designs or colours)
- Navy shorts (not bike pants)
- Navy skorts
- Summer school dress
- Winter school pinafore or skirt
- Navy bike shorts may be worn under the summer dress, pinafore dress or skirt but must be shorter than the dress of skirt and not be visible
- Light blue or navy polo shirt with Kunyung logo
- Light blue or navy skivvy
- Navy windcheater, jacket or hooded jumper with Kunyung logo
- Black shoes with black laces, black closed toed sandals, or predominantly white or black sports shoes with same coloured laces

**Sport**

- Senior students participating in interschool sport will usually be provided with a top in Kunyung colours and netball skirt where appropriate. All other sports clothing must be provided by the students.
- Otherwise school uniform is worn for PE and sport
- Sport shoes are to be predominantly white or black with same coloured laces

**Other uniform items**

- A navy blue backpack preferably with Kunyung logo (no designs or colours)
- An art smock
- A library bag
- Accessories e.g. socks, headbands, hair ties, scarves, coats etc. to be in Kunyung colours i.e. navy, light blue or white (headbands or hair ties may also be same colour as student’s natural hair)
- Year 6 top - It is traditional for year 6 students to wear a ‘commemorative’ top which distinguishes them in their final year at school. The top will be designed primarily by the students with support from staff. The design will be presented to Education sub-committee and a recommendation provided to School Council.

**Implementation**

Enrolment procedures will include full information on the Uniform Policy. Families in financial hardship will be assisted in obtaining uniform. Strict confidentiality is guaranteed.

**Obtaining uniform:** New uniform items with the Kunyung logo are exclusively available at the Uniform Shop operated by a private provider and located in the school. Opening times are advertised in the ‘Kunyung Courier’.

Second hand uniform items in good condition are also available at the school – information is available at reception.

**Lost uniform:** Lost items of clothing are collected and held in ‘lost property’ which is located in the Multi-Purpose room. Every effort will be made to return named items to their owner. Unnamed items not collected will be donated to the Second Hand Uniform Shop.

**Unacceptable items**
- Stud earrings and sleepers worn in the ears, plus watches are the only acceptable jewellery.
- Hair accessories should be in the school colours (white, navy, light blue or same colour as the student’s natural hair).
- Long hair must be tied back.
- Unnatural hair colouring, nail polish and make up must not be worn.
- Leggings must not be worn under dress, pinafore or skirt.

**Exemptions:** The Principal may grant exceptions to the guidelines on special occasions e.g. Musical and other performances, free dress and other special days.

The Principal may grant an exemption where a particular circumstance exists e.g. religious belief, cultural background, medical reasons or disability. A person seeking exemption should approach the Principal.

**Consequences:** Repeated transgressions of the Uniform Policy will result in a reminder being given to the student. Should transgressions continue, the Principal or Assistant Principal will contact the student’s parents and appropriate assistance provided to enable the student to comply with the Uniform Policy.

**Evaluation:** The Education Sub-committee in consultation with parents, students and staff will evaluate the Uniform Policy in terms of appearance, cost effectiveness, organisational aspects and safety issues. This evaluation will then be used in reviewing the policy.

This Policy was last endorsed by school council in... May, 2015