Dress Code and Uniform Policy

The Stradbroke School Council in consultation with the Stradbroke School community has made the decision that Stradbroke School will have a school uniform.

Rationale:
The wearing of school uniforms by students will assist the school community 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
• increasing the personal safety of students and staff by allowing easier recognition of visitors and potential intruders in the school
• making school clothing more affordable for families by eliminating the risk of peer pressure to wear transiently fashionable and expensive clothes.

Parents and students on enrolling at Stradbroke School undertake to support the school in ensuring that all students wear correct uniform. Students are expected to take pride in their appearance when representing our school.

Stradbroke School students are expected to wear school uniform. Wearing of school dress code colours instils a sense of pride in our school and develops students’ sense of belonging. Health, safety, equity and expense have been considered in the development of this policy.

School uniform and dress code items are available from the School Uniform Shop in Leabrook Building and some items are also available from local department stores. Students are expected to wear school uniform with no logos or patterns other than the school logo.

Exemptions
The Principal may exempt students from the dress code upon written request from parents. Grounds for exemption are:
• Religious, cultural or ethnic
• New or itinerant students
• Financial hardship
• Medical reasons
• Any other grounds as the Governing Council may determine.

Pale blue short-sleeve and long-sleeve polo tops will no longer be sold in the uniform shop from January 2015 and are not included as items in this policy. Pale blue tops already purchased can continue to be worn as school uniform items for two years until December 2017. This will allow time for children to grow out or wear out of these items. Navy blue short and long sleeve polo tops will continue to be part of the uniform.

No make-up or nail polish is to be worn. Safe and appropriate jewellery is allowed however is not encouraged for safety reasons. Stud/sleeper earrings are acceptable.

The School Uniform Shop is open every Wednesday and Friday morning between 8.30 – 9.30am. The uniform shop is also open on the first day of each term, on Open Night, as well as the two days before school commences in January. Uniform Management Services also has an outlet at 1/6 Montrose Ave, Norwood which is open Monday – Friday from 9.00am – 5.00pm.

SAPSASA
Students representing Stradbroke School in SAPSASA may purchase a SAPSASA windcheater. There are a number of designs for the SAPSASA windcheater. Students may wear the SAPSASA windcheater that is primarily navy blue for one week after representing the school at a SAPSASA event.

Year 7 polo top and windcheater
Year 7 students are able to order a seniors windcheater which includes the names of all students in their year. These are usually available before the end of first term. Year 7 students may also be offered a seniors polo top. Both of these items are optional.
**School Uniform**

**Dress**
Blue and white check summer dress  
Navy blue skort  

**Pants/Shorts**
Navy blue pants – fleece, bootleg, drill, Stradbroke track pant (with no visible logos, stripes or patterns)  
Navy shorts (basketball, cargo, drill, knee-length bike shorts)  

*Please note denim jeans and denim shorts are not included in the school uniform.*

**Headwear**
Navy blue hat (legionnaire, broad brim, bucket)  
Navy blue scarf & navy blue gloves  
Cultural headwear – (navy blue or pale blue)  
Ribbons, scrunchies, clips, bands – navy blue with no sparkles etc.

* items available exclusively from the Uniform Shop

**Tops**
Navy blue short-sleeve polo top  
Navy blue long-sleeve polo top  
* Stradbroke navy blue & pale blue short-sleeve polo top  
* Stradbroke navy blue & pale blue long-sleeve polo top  
Navy blue crew-neck windcheater  
Navy blue skivvy  
Navy blue polar fleece top  
Navy blue polar fleece jacket  
* Stradbroke navy blue track jacket

**Footwear & Tights**
Socks – white, navy blue, black  
Tights & leggings – navy blue (and only to be worn under skorts and dresses)  
Shoes:
  
  Sandals – white, black, navy or brown  
  Sneakers – predominantly white, black, brown, navy blue (laces are to be white, black or navy blue)  
  Black school shoes  
  **NO** thongs, platforms, high heeled shoes, crocs