



Uniform Policy & Dress Code

St Brigid's Catholic Primary School, Nerang

Policy

The school uniform at St Brigid's Catholic Primary School, Nerang performs several important functions within the overall operation of the school, including:

- fostering a sense of school community and shared mission;
- increasing a sense of belonging and engagement;
- promoting health and safety and
- encouraging respect in self and school.

Students in uniform also represent St Brigid's and therefore play a central role in the presentation of our great school and Brisbane Catholic Education to the broader community.

St Brigid's Catholic Primary School, Nerang has a school uniform that is guided by the following principles:

- **Subsidiarity**: Decisions made regarding the St Brigid's school uniform are informed by consultation. Input from the school community is sought as part of a process of discussion and discernment.
- **Accountability**: The St Brigid's school uniform is consistent with health and safety considerations, e.g. sun safe, protective clothing, clothing appropriate to curriculum activities. The St Brigid's Student Uniform Policy and Dress Code complies with anti-discrimination and human rights legislation.
- **Practicality**: The St Brigid's school uniform contributes to the wellbeing of students by providing adequate protection from the elements and a degree of comfort that allows for full participation in all school activities, including play, sport and other physical and recreational activities.
- **Affordability**: Attention is always given to cost considerations. This includes durability of the St Brigid's School uniform materials to reduce replacement costs. New uniforms will have a staged introduction. Other strategies we endeavour to consider and include are bulk purchasing.
- **Equity, diversity and choice**: St Brigid's Catholic Primary School, Nerang provides uniform options or modifications, including shorts and pants, in all uniform categories for all students, reflecting the diverse needs of students and supporting student mental health and wellbeing.
- **Responsiveness**: St Brigid's Catholic Primary School, Nerang makes allowances for adjustments to the school's student dress code to cater for specific student modifications or exemptions, for example, the wearing of clothing that conforms to the observance of faith.

The wearing of full school uniform is compulsory and we see the enforcement of this policy as a shared responsibility between home and school.

Compulsory School Uniform

Summer Formal Uniform
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• green checked dress (with logo)• green checked shirt (with logo)• green shorts (with logo)• white St Brigid's uniform socks only• black leather shoes or black joggers (must be all black including the logo)• broad brimmed school hat (with logo)• Reversible Bucket Hat (with logo)
Winter Formal Uniform
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• same as for summer• pullover jumper (with logo)• microfibre zip jacket (with logo)• microfiber track pants or regular-all green track pants• bottle green stockings
Sports Uniform
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• green polo shirt with house panel (with logo)• green skorts (with logo)• green shorts (with logo)• white St Brigid's uniform socks only• black sports shoes / joggers

Implementation

1. There will be a two year transition period for the new sports polo, running from January 2020 to December 2021.
2. Yr. 6 students can wear their Senior's Polo to school in accordance with Yr. 6 teacher direction.
3. During all outdoor activities school hats are to be worn. Children will not be allowed to play outdoors if they do not wear their school hat.
4. On sports days and PE Days black joggers must be worn. An exception will be made on Carnival Days where waffles etc. can be worn.
5. If a child is not in full, correct uniform, parents are asked to notify the child's teacher or the Principal as to the reason by note, by telephone, by email or in person.
6. If a child is persistently out of uniform, a uniform note will be sent home with the child citing the aspect of the uniform that requires attention.
7. The following applies to the wearing of **shoes**:
 - All BLACK joggers (must have black logo) can be worn for the five school days.
 - Black leather shoes can be worn with the formal uniform.
 - Black sports shoes can be worn with the formal uniform.
 - Black sports shoes must be worn with the sports uniform.
8. The following applies to the wearing of **accessories**:
 - MEDICAL DISCS on chains and bracelets are permitted.
 - Facial make-up and nail polish are NOT permitted.
 - Fashion jewellery is NOT permitted.
 - Digital and/or analogue watches are permitted (no cellular or camera watches).
 - Simple sleepers or studs (maximum of one pair of earrings) are permitted.
 - NO body piercings allowed – except for ear lobes.
 - A religious object on chain may be worn under the uniform.
 - Sunglasses worn outside for sun protection are an optional accessory to the uniform.

9. The following applies to **hairstyles**:
- Hair is to be clean, brushed and tidy.
 - Top of Collar length hair or longer, both genders, is to be tied back with bands or ribbons.
 - Hairstyles are to be conservative, NO excessive hair products.
 - NO tinting, colouring, streaking, hair extensions etc.
 - NO punk styles, dreadlocks, tracks, rat-tails, top knots etc.
 - Where student fundraising for a cause or house events may impact student hairstyles, Principal approval is required.
 - Hair is to be tied back with bands or ribbons in the colours of the school – white or green.
 - Hair accessories are to be kept to a minimum and not to be worn as a fashion statement.
 - Our Uniform Shop supplies school coloured and design approved hair accessories for purchase - these can be ordered at any time through QKR.