Uniform Policy

Rationale:
- A uniform dress code reinforces in students a pride in their own appearance, instils recognition of themselves as an integral part of the school community, and assists in developing pride in representing their school. Issues of equality, health and safety, and expense are also factors that contribute to the establishment of the Dress Code.

Aims:
- To promote equality amongst all students.
- To further develop a sense of pride in, and identification with our school.
- To provide durable clothing that is cost effective and practical for our school environment.
- To maintain and enhance the positive image of the school in the community.

Implementation:
- After consultation with the school community and the Student Representative Council, School Council has developed a Dress Code that we believe provides choice for the students, allows for students to safely engage in the many varied school activities, and caters for the financial constraints of families.
- The Dress Code applies during school hours, while travelling to and from school, and when students are on school excursions.
- Summer and Winter uniforms, as well as a sports uniform will be prescribed, and are required to be worn.
- Stud earrings and small plain sleepers worn in the earlobes, are the only acceptable jewellery.
- These must be removed or taped for sport and physical activities. Watches are acceptable.
- Extreme hair colors (eg: green, pink or purple) and/or extreme hairstyles are not permitted. (Exceptions are made for special activity days).
- Other than clear nail polish, cosmetics may not be worn at school.
- As with our Sunsmart Policy children will be required to wear Anti-Cancer Council approved close-weave broad brimmed hats (at least 8 cm rigid brim) or legionnaires cap during terms 1 and 4 whenever they are outside. Hats are not to worn inside.
- Parents and Friends Association will operate a “Swap Shop” scheme for good quality second hand uniforms, and will operate a second hand uniform store for parents.
- The student Dress Code, including details of uniform items and places of purchase, will be published in the newsletter periodically.
- School Council requires the Principal be responsible for implementation of the Dress Code in a manner consistent with the Student Code of Conduct.
- Parents seeking exemptions to the Dress Code due to religious beliefs, ethnic or cultural background, student disability, health condition or economic hardship must apply in writing to the principal.

Evaluation:
- This policy will be reviewed as part of the school’s three year review cycle.
DRESS CODE

- The Student Dress Code at Bonbeach Primary School requires that all students wear the school uniform during school hours and when students are engaged in specific school activities out of school hours. If students are not wearing full school uniform they will not be permitted to attend excursions.
- Shoulder length hair or longer, should be tied back to lessen the risk of injury or hygiene problems. All hair accessories should be in school colours.
- To minimise the risk of loss, damage or injury, students must not wear jewellery other than watches. A single ear stud or sleeper ear ring is permitted in each ear.
- Makeup, body art, extreme hair colour or styles and visible body piercing are not permitted.
- Necklaces, chains, pendants, rings or bracelets are not permitted.
- Students are not permitted to wear thongs, open toed shoes or slip on style shoes that lack heel and ankle support. Any shoes that are a potential tripping hazard are not permitted. Students must wear sports shoes in sports/PE sessions.
- Nail polish is not permitted.
- An approved broad brimmed navy school hat or legionnaires cap is compulsory from September to May.
- On Free Dress Days thongs, singlets, tank tops and crop tops are not permitted.
- Parents of students that need to deviate from the dress code due to religious or health reasons must contact the principal.
- If students are not dressed in full school uniform the following process will be followed:
  1. A formal letter stating that your child was not in appropriate school uniform will be sent home. It must be signed by a parent or guardian and returned to the school.
  2. After 3 formal letters are sent home the student and parents will be contacted by the principal to arrange a meeting to explain why the student continues not to comply with the dress code.

It should be noted that if any formal letters are not returned to the school signed by the parents the staff will immediately move to step 2 in the process.
- Parents who need support due to various circumstances need to contact the office.

Uniform
- Blue and white checked dress (bike shorts can be worn under the dress as long as they are not visible and in school colours)
- Navy shorts
- Light Blue polo shirt or T-shirt, with either the school logo or no logo
- Tracksuit pants
- Winter dress (navy blue tunic)
- Navy stockings or tights can be worn under a school dress in winter
- Sports shirts can only be worn on sport days
- Navy netball skirts can be worn for sport and PE
- Navy windcheater, vest or bomber jacket, with either the school logo or no logo (no hooded jumpers are permitted)
- Closed toed shoes must be worn with socks
- Socks need to be in school colours
- Grade 6 students are permitted to wear their grade 6 polo shirts and jumpers