

## SCHOOL UNIFORM EXPECTATIONS

18th May 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

In Stage 3 we have noticed a shift in the presentation of our students, particularly in the way in which they are choosing to wear their uniforms. We discuss with the children that how we wear our uniform is a way we display respect for ourselves and others.

As a community, we take great pride in the presentation of our staff and students and have dress codes that we are expected to follow while at school.

We would like to highlight the following aspects of our school uniform requirements that are not being met by a number of our students.

### Socks

#### **Winter uniform :**

**Girls** - Navy blue tights or navy blue ankle or knee socks.

**Boys** - Short grey school socks with blue/gold band

#### **Summer uniform:**

**Girls** - White turn-down school socks

**Boys** - Short grey school socks with blue/gold band

#### **Sports Days:**

**Boys and girls** - socks are to be white turn-down school socks or white ankle sports socks. These need to be visible above the shoe.

### Shoes

#### **Winter/Summer uniform :**

**Girls and Boys** - Black school shoes with a low heel that are not trainers.

#### **Sports Days:**

**Boys and girls** - Shoes are to be predominantly white, black or blue runners with velcro or laces.

### Hair

**Girls** - Shoulder length or longer hair must be tied back. No hair colouring is permitted. Hair ties, ribbons and headbands must be white, blue or school check. Fringes that are long and fall into the child's eyes should be pinned back or in a headband.

**Boys** - Neat and simple haircuts. No undercuts, number ones, rat tails, patterns or lines shaved in. No hair colouring is permitted. Long hair should be tied back. Fringes that are long and fall into the child's eyes should be pinned back or in a headband.

***While in the classroom, it is an expectation that boys' shirts are tucked in and, during winter, that they have their ties on and sleeves rolled down. We understand that, during play sessions and breaks, shirts may come untucked and sleeves are rolled up, however, when lining up to return to the classroom, it is an expectation that uniforms are worn correctly. Students are reminded of this by their classroom teacher. They are also encouraged to remind each other to tidy themselves up for class time.***

***Students are only to wear their sports uniforms on their allocated days.***

***Year 5: Thursdays and Fridays***

***Year 6: Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays. Students participating in morning workouts with Mr Jones may wear their joggers to start the workout and change into their regular shoes before class.***

A copy of the OLMC uniform requirements can be found in the *OLMC Wentworthville 2022 Parent Handbook* which can be found on our school website. We have also included a copy of the requirements in this letter.

The students of Stage 3, as the leaders of our school, are expected to set a positive example and follow the OLMC uniform requirements on a daily basis. Our students have had detailed discussions with their classroom teachers, Miss Pirovic and Mrs Anderiesz about uniform expectations. Beginning next week on Monday, 23rd May, we will begin using a series of warnings and consequences for students who do not follow our school's uniform requirements. This will include:

**First occurrence** - A verbal warning.

**Second occurrence** - A written note home to parents.

**Third occurrence** - A session off the playground

We, of course, understand that circumstances may arise where a student may not be able to follow these requirements. If this is the case, we ask that parents provide a note to excuse their child from wearing the incorrect uniform.

Thank you for your support in helping us show the children that by wearing our uniform correctly we demonstrate respect for ourselves and others. It also serves the purpose of maintaining a positive image of our school and the students who attend. If you require any further clarification or have any questions, please contact your child's classroom teacher.

Kind regards,

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