

PURPOSE

To outline the expectation that Hamilton Parklands School have in regard to student attire while at school, and representing the school in public.

SCOPE

This policy applies to all students at Hamilton Parklands School.

POLICY

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.

IMPLEMENTATION

1. 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.
2. The Dress Code applies during school hours, while travelling to and from school, and when students are on school excursions and sometimes on school camps or at work experience.
3. Uniforms will be prescribed and are required to be worn. Sports uniforms may also be prescribed.
4. Small stud earrings or sleepers worn in the ears, plus watches, are the only acceptable jewellery. This is an Occupational Health and Safety requirement.
5. Hair accessories are to be school colours – navy blue or red.
6. Nail polish or make up may not be worn at school.
7. Any tattoos on students must be covered at all times.
8. The only headwear that is acceptable is SunSmart hats consistent with our SunSmart policy. They must be worn outside in Terms 1 & 4. Hats are not to be worn inside.
9. Students may wear a navy blue beanie (no logos) to and from school and outside during Terms 2 & 3. Hats are not to be worn inside.
10. Shoes must be black and can be black leather shoes (laces, velcro or buckles). Sneakers or pull on boots must also be black. No open-toed shoes or steel-capped boots are to be worn at school unless prior permission has been sought from the principal.
11. Socks are to be navy, black or white.
12. All students need to wear board shorts and a rash vest during swimming lessons. All swimmers must wear bathers underneath.

13. The Principal is responsible for implementation of the Dress Code. Consequences may include being unable to participate in out of school excursions or work experience. Students wearing unsuitable jewellery, nail polish or make up will be told to remove it.
14. Arrangements can be made to supply uniforms via State Schools Relief for families experiencing economic hardship.
15. 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 School Council for consideration.

Dress Code: to be phased in as from 1st May 2025

These items are available for purchase at Hip-Pocket Hamilton:

School Savings Bonus Funding: Parents wishing to use SSB for any items supplied by Hip-Pocket must ensure that they have an authorisation form from the school prior to purchasing.

- Polo Shirt
 - Colour: Navy & Red – school logo on the front
- Polar Fleecy ½ Zip
 - Colour: Navy - school logo on the front
- Vest Options:
 1. Polar Fleecy
 - Colour: Navy – school logo on the front
 2. Puffer Style
 - Colour: Navy – school logo on the front
- Rain Jacket
 - Colour: Navy – school logo on the front
- Senior Rugby Jumper to be implemented – commencing 2026
 - Colour: Navy Rugby with White collar - school logo on the front
 - Available for purchase in the final 2 years of schooling (17years/18 years)
 - Final year of schooling – School Council will fund one rugby jumper per student which may have suitable graduation messaging printed onto the back.

These items may be purchased at a supplier of the parents choice:

- Pants / Shorts / Skirts / Skort:
 - Colour: Navy
 - No logos or stripes
 - No rips
- Summer Dress:
 - Colour: Navy & White Check
- Shoes:
 - Colour: Black
 - Must have covered in toes
 - Styles:
School Shoes, Runners, Pull on boots - No steel caps
- Socks:
 - Colour: Black, White or Navy

Additional Items:

- School SunSmart hats will be supplied to students by the school as required, at no cost to parents.
This initiative will be funded by School Council.

Students who are not in appropriate uniform will be unable to participate in out of school activities where uniform is expected to be worn.

RELATED POLICIES AND RESOURCES

Child Safety Code of Conduct

POLICY REVIEW AND APPROVAL

Policy last reviewed	May 2025
Approved by	School Council - 10 th June 2025
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