

# STUDENT DRESS

## Policy ...

Our school dress code:

- fosters and enhances the public image of the school
- assists in building school and team spirit
- ensures students are dressed appropriately for specific school activities
- encourages equity among all students, and
- prepares students for work, as many workplaces have dress and safety codes

## School Dress Code ...

### Shirts

- Short sleeve polo neck shirts, with school logo, are available from the Uniform Shop.
- T-shirts / Polo Shirts in plain school colours of light blue (Lower School) and white (Upper School only).
- Otherwise, shirts in plain school colours are available at local stores.
- **Slogans, motifs, patterns, sleeveless tops, bare midriffs, plunging necklines, navy blue, black or checked tops are NOT PERMITTED.**

### Shorts

- Boys and girls may wear plain black shorts.
- NMSHS board shorts with school colours on the leg and black shorts (available from the Uniform Shop).
- Girls may wear NMSHS check pattern material (Cleolane 8006 – fabric available from Spotlight).
- **Beachwear is NOT PERMITTED**

### Skirts / Dresses

- NMSHS check pattern material (Cleolane 8006) for skirts or 'Home and Away' style dresses

### Rugby Tops

- NMSHS tops in both Lower School and Upper School designs

### Windcheaters

- **Plain, light** school colours

### Pants / Track pants

- Plain Black
- NMSHS track pants available (black, with school colours on right leg)
- **NB: Denim is not permitted as part of the school dress code**

### Track tops

- NMSHS track tops available (black, in school colours) - **NO OTHERS ACCEPTABLE**

### Jewellery

Students may be excluded from some practical classes for safety reasons if jewellery is excessive.

### Footwear ...

Shoes or sandals - NO thongs or scuffs (footwear must have a heel strap and covered toes)

**Note:** It is an Occupational Health and Safety requirement to wear covered footwear when attending Design & Technology, Home Economics or Science classes.

### Physical Education ...

Physical Education students must change for Physical Education – usually into a skirt / shorts or trackpants plus a plain T-shirt. (Note – A special NMSHS physical Education T-shirt and shorts are available and are to be worn only for Physical Education)

### Availability of Dress Code Items ...

Students must pre-order uniforms in advance. Pre-order forms are available through the school. Parents may be eligible for Clothing Assistance Allowance. Forms will be available from the school at the commencement of 2009.

### Sanctions for Non-compliance ...

Students not following the dress code will:

- Receive counselling from Year Coordinators and Form Teachers on the benefits of the dress code.
- Receive a 'Dress Code' Pass for the day that may also involve the temporary loan of a school T-shirt.
- In repeat cases, may be required to attend lunchtime detentions.

Students persisting in non-compliance will be excluded from extra curricular activities such as socials as well as any activity representing the school in the community.

**It is the students' responsibility to ensure that they have enough 'dress code' items, coupled with a suitable washing schedule, to ensure that they are dressed appropriately on each school day.**

An advisory panel will be convened for students who consistently do not follow school dress code outlines.