



# Student Uniform & Dress Standards

Darling Heights SS is a Uniform School. Our Parents, through the P&C Association have endorsed and support the wearing of a full school uniform by all students.

## Rationale

There are two key factors in this rationale - **Appearance** and **Health and Safety**. A common set of beliefs about what is acceptable and what is not acceptable with regard to the way students present themselves for school each day will enable consistent, safe and equitable dress practices. Students who comply with the guidelines help their individual image and the collective image of the school and are demonstrating regard for their own health and safety and the health and safety of others.

Clothing or accessories that may cause injury while undertaking certain activities cannot be allowed due to Health and Safety Regulations and standards.

While wearing a uniform purchased from the Uniform Shop cannot be made mandatory, it is expected that students meet the minimum standards, that being, wearing clothing that is bottle green and gold.

## Purpose

- To promote pride, unity and a sense of belonging to the Darling Heights School community.
- To ensure that all students are dressed in clothing, jewellery and other accessories which allow for **safe** participation in school activities.
- To minimise the pressure on families to provide the financial resources to meet the latest fashion trends.
- To encourage a standard of dress which this school community feels is appropriate.
- To ensure quick and consistent identification of Darling Heights students.

## Guidelines/Procedures

Students should wear the Uniform as endorsed by the Darling Heights State School Community. If students are wearing clothing or accessories that differ from this or may cause injury while undertaking specific activities, they may be asked to change clothes or in the case of jewellery, to remove the dangerous item. Items of medical, religious or cultural significance are allowed. Discussion with the school administration may clarify some of these items. Students who are unable to wear the correct uniform should bring a note from their parents/carers.

## Dress Standards

- The standards apply for all school days unless specific permission has been granted by the school administration for example, "Free Dress Days". On these occasions, no offensive clothing is acceptable. **(Appearance)**
- Uncovered face piercings are not acceptable **(Appearance / Health and Safety)**
- Some activities - those outlined in the Education Policy and Procedure Register may necessitate the removal of watches, rings and other jewellery items and the wearing of protective equipment. **(Health and Safety)**
- Nail polish and /or makeup are not permitted. **(Appearance)**
- Students must wear the required DHSS sports uniform when taking part in interschool sport. **(Appearance)**
- When representing the school, Band and Choir members will require the formal uniform (black shoes, long black pants and a white, buttoned shirt. **(Appearance)**)
- Earrings must be studs or sleepers ONLY and a maximum of 2 pair. **(Appearance)**
- Natural hair tints are acceptable. **(Appearance)**
- The commemorative Year 6 shirt may be worn as a school or sports shirt.
- We discourage baggy board shorts or brief bikini style togs for swimming lessons. We strongly recommend that students involved in school swimming lessons wear swimming togs i.e. for girls, a one piece suit and for boys, shorts or speedos.
- The uniform as indicated in the Summer and Winter Table (attached)
- Particular attention to the Uniform Policy is required for special occasions such as Anzac Day Ceremonies, School Photos and Graduation.
- Children are required to wear solid, enclosed shoes (no sandals or thongs).
- The school has a "no hat, no play" policy. Bottle green bucket hats are available from the Uniform Shop.
- The recommended inter-house uniform consists of a coloured polo shirt with screen printed house name and emblem:

**Aquila- blue**

**Cygnus - red**

**Pegasus – yellow**

**Orion - green**



## Uniform Expectations (Unisex Uniform)

<b>Summer Uniform available from our Uniform Shop</b>	<b>Winter Uniform available from our Uniform Shop</b>
<p>The everyday uniform for boys &amp; girls is:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Bottle green unisex short sleeve <b>polo shirt</b> with a broad yellow, and narrow white stripe on the front with contrasting bottle green and yellow sleeves, jacquard collar &amp; embroidered school emblem.</li> <li>• Bottle green unisex rugby knit <b>shorts</b></li> <li>• Alternatively for girls, a bottle green <b>skirt</b> with <b>bike shorts</b> underneath or bottle green <b>skort</b> (these items are only available second-hand from the Uniform Shop)</li> <li>• Plain coloured <b>socks</b> (3 pack, white available at Uniform Shop)</li> <li>• Plain coloured, enclosed <b>shoes</b> (Black available at Uniform Shop)</li> <li>• If required, green &amp; gold Hijab (one or two piece available)</li> </ul>	<p>Options for winter, both boys &amp; girls are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Bottle green unisex long sleeve <b>polo shirt</b> with a broad yellow, and narrow white stripe on the front with green sleeves, jacquard collar &amp; embroidered school emblem with.....</li> <li>• Bottle green and gold <b>microfibre zip jacket</b> with inserted gold panels and contrasting gold piping and embroidered school emblem</li> <li>• Bottle green straight <b>microfibre pants</b></li> <li>• Bottle green &amp; gold <b>polar fleece zip jacket</b> with embroidered school logo</li> <li>• bottle green cotton fleecy V-neck <b>jumper</b> with embroidered school emblem</li> <li>• Bottle green cotton fleecy <b>trackpants</b></li> </ul>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>The Uniform Shop also has second hand uniforms available</b></p>	

