Our Lady Star of the Sea School, Ocean Grove
Uniform Policy

Rationale
A uniform dress code reinforces in students a pride in their own appearance, instills 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
- The School Education Board supports a dress code that allows for students to safely engage in the many varied school activities and caters for the financial constraints of families.
- Summer, winter and sports uniform are prescribed as the Dress Code.
- The Dress Code applies during school hours, while travelling to and from school, and when students are on school excursions.
- Changes to the Uniform Dress Code are to be addressed through the School Education Board. A process of consultation with parents is to be conducted if deemed necessary.
- Summer uniform is to be worn in terms 1 & 4 and winter uniform is worn in terms 2 & 3.
- Sports uniform is to be worn on sports days and physical education lesson days.
- If for some reason children are not in school uniform then parents are required to write a note of explanation to the class teacher.
- Acceptable headwear is our school hat, which is consistent with our Sunsmart policy. Hats must be worn outside in terms 1 & 4. Hats are not to be worn inside.
- Acceptable footwear is black leather traditional school shoes. Skate shoes are not acceptable. Sports shoes are only to be worn on designated days of Physical Education.
- A chain and cross or small religious medal, stud earrings and sleepers worn in the ears, plus watches are the only acceptable jewellery.
- Extreme hair colors (eg: green, pink or purple rinses) and/or extreme hairstyles (eg: spikes or mohawks) are not permitted. Shoulder length hair is to be tied back.
- Other than clear nail polish, cosmetics may not be worn at school.
- Whilst scarves, hats and gloves worn during the winter months are not compulsory uniform items these should be in the school colour, green and are for outside wear so not to be worn in the classroom.
- The student dress code is to be published and distributed to parents through the school newsletter and the school information booklet.
- 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.
- The School Education Board approves who are the school suppliers to be used.
- Parent volunteers are appointed to sell approved uniform items through the school and to conduct the recycled uniform shop.

Consequences for non-compliance:
Step 1: On a daily basis the class teacher is responsible for monitoring individual compliance and uniform dress code.
Step 2: As required the class teacher will give a verbal reminder to the child about compliance and request for a note from parents to provide an explanation for non-compliance.
Step 3: As required the class teacher will send the standardised note to parents requiring an explanation for non-compliance.
Step 4: The class teacher will inform the Principal as to the process followed. This will be done before Step 5 is implemented.
Step 5: Further unexplained non-compliance will result in possible loss of playtime or lunchtime or excursion for the individual child.

Evaluation
The Policy is reviewed by staff and the School Education Board as a part of the cyclic review process.
Initial Policy: 2003
Last Review: May 2013
Next Review: 2017
SUPPLIERS

School Uniform Shop
Winter kilts are sold through the school. Please contact the school office for further information or ordering details.

Coastal Uniforms
Uniform items are sold at Coastal Uniforms. 21 Smithton Grove, Ocean Grove (Industrial Estate) Ph: 5255 4897. Open times: Monday – Friday 9am – 4.30pm. Order forms are available from the school office or downloaded from the school website.

Recycle Uniform Shop
Providing quality 2nd hand uniform items the School Recycle Uniform Shop is open every second Friday from 9am to 10am. To sell good quality second hand uniforms simply attach the form available from the school office to any items you would like us to sell. Items can be left at the front office. Money and/or unsold items will be returned to you. Donations of good quality uniform items are also welcome.

DRESS CODE

Boys Summer Uniform
Short or long sleeved dark green polo with white Star of the Sea logo and white edge on collar
Grey school shorts.
Zip front green windcheater with white Star of the Sea logo and white piping.
School hat.
Grey ankle length socks.
Black leather traditional heeled school shoes or boots.

Girls Summer Uniform
Green and white checked dress. *Dark green bike shorts can be worn under the summer dress but must not be visible below the hemline.
Zip front green windcheater with white Star of the Sea logo and white piping or *green fleece cardigan with Star of the Sea logo.
School hat.
Green or white hair trims.
White ankle length socks.
Black leather traditional heeled school shoes.

Boys Winter Uniform
Short or long sleeve green polo with Star of the Sea logo and white edge on collar.
Grey school long pants.
Zip front green windcheater with white Star of the Sea logo and white piping.
Grey ankle length socks
Black leather traditional heeled school shoes or boots.

Girls Winter Uniform
Tartan kilts or green school pants.
White long sleeved school shirt with “Peter Pan” collar or white long sleeved polo top with green Star of the Sea logo.
Zip front green windcheater with white Star of the Sea logo and white piping
Green or white hair trims.
White ankle length socks or green tights.
Black leather traditional heeled school shoes.

Sport Uniform for boys and girls
Short or long sleeved navy polo top with white school logo.
Bottle green pants.
School hat, white socks, runners.
Bottle green unisex sports shorts with white school logo. The girls have the option to wear green skorts with white school logo.
*Compression pants are not school uniform item.