

## UNIFORM POLICY

### **Rationale:**

- 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.

### **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 Dress Code applies during school hours and when students are on school excursions.
- Stud earrings and sleepers worn in the ears, plus watches are the only acceptable jewellery.
- No cosmetics may not be worn during school hours, including nail polish.
- Other than headwear approved for religious, cultural, or medial reason, 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.
- Second-hand uniforms are available at the office.
- The student Dress Code, including details of uniform items and places of purchase, will be published in the newsletter at the start of each year.
- School Council requires the school community to be responsible for implementation of the Dress Code in a manner consistent with the Student Code of Conduct.
- Arrangements can be made to supply uniforms via State Schools Relief for families experiencing economic hardship.
- Parents seeking exemptions to the Dress Code due to religious beliefs, ethnic or cultural background, student disability, health condition or economic hardship are invited to meet with the principal, trusted teacher or members of the wellbeing team who will advocate with them in relation to special circumstances.
- Any modifications to the standard uniform must be ratified by School Council.

### **Evaluation:**

This policy will be reviewed as part of the school's three-year review cycle.

This policy was last ratified by Torquay College School Council in November 2021.

### **Summer – Terms 1 and 4**

Green and white gingham check dress; or

School green culottes or shorts with a gold or green polo shirt; or

Green and white gingham check skorts with a gold or green polo shirt

School grey cord shorts with gold or green polo shirt; or

School grey drill shorts with a gold or green polo shirt

### **Winter – Terms 2 and 3**

Green and gold kilt with a gold or green polo shirt or skivvy; or

Green tracksuit pants with a gold or green polo shirt or skivvy

School grey cord pants with a gold or green polo shirt or skivvy; or

School grey drill trousers with a gold or green polo shirt or skivvy

At all times students can wear green and gold zipped jumper or green polo fleece hooded windcheater, grey or white socks or green stockings with appropriate footwear. Tying long hair back is recommended.

**When representing the College** Years 5 students may wear the College black tracksuit pants and polo shirts.

Year 6 students may wear the unique polo shirt and zipped windcheater and the College black tracksuit pants.

Appropriate shoes will be worn (closed in toe, no fluorescent or bright colours).

Extenuating circumstances should be discussed with a member of the Principal team.