



SHERWOOD RIDGE PUBLIC SCHOOL SCHOOL UNIFORM POLICY

Dear Parents and Carers

Sherwood Ridge Public School supports the wearing of school uniforms by students and the upholding of high standards of dress by students and staff.

Sherwood Ridge Public School Uniform is expected to be worn during school hours, while travelling to and from school, and while engaged in school activities out of school hours.

The wearing of school uniforms by students will assist the school community to:

- Define an identity for the school within its community.
- Develop students' sense of belonging to the school community.
- Provide an opportunity to build school spirit.
- Enhance the health and safety of students when involved in school activities.
- Promote a sense of inclusiveness, non-discrimination and equal opportunity .
- Reinforce the perception of the school as an ordered and safe environment.
- Increase the personal safety of students and staff by allowing easier recognition of visitors and potential intruders in the school.
- Promote positive community perceptions of public education.
- Make school clothing more affordable for families by eliminating the risk of peer pressure to wear transiently fashionable and expensive clothes.

The whole school community has a role to play in encouraging the meeting of the standards set by the wearing of our uniform.

Responses to students who do not wear uniform include:

- Initially students should present a written explanation from a parent/caregiver as to the need to be out of uniform, and to contact the classroom teacher/school executive if the situation is of an ongoing nature.
- Contact with the Principal should be made if the nature of the situation involves financial hardship, conscientious objections to the wearing of a uniform or any other reason.
- Where a student fails to wear the agreed school uniform, or part thereof, on a consistent basis, Stage Supervisors will initiate contact with parents.
- Students that fail to wear the uniform will be unable to attend any events in which they represent the school outside of the school including excursions, sport or cultural activities. Alternative arrangements for meeting the curriculum will be provided.

Please remember that if your family is experiencing difficulty in purchasing uniforms, you may apply to the school for assistance.

The NSW Department of Education and Training's guidelines in relation to safety and footwear in school, under the 'Occupational Health and Safety Requirements' prohibit students participating in practical activities in school if not wearing substantial footwear deemed safe by the Department.

Unsafe shoes include those with openings; platform or high heels; shoes made from unprotective, open-weave materials such as canvas and cottons or similar; and other materials that do not provide adequate protection.

We at Sherwood Ridge Public School have developed a uniform policy in conjunction with the Department and its OHS guidelines, ensuring safety and comfort for our students.

School shoes are to be all black; the entire foot is to be enclosed by the shoe, including the upper section of the foot; the shoe is to have a stout sole and firm leather uppers; and, the shoe is to have low heels.

This information is to help guide you with what shoes are allowed and what are not. We thank you for embracing and upholding our uniform policy.

SPORTS SHOES

Sports and P.E. shoes have similar restrictions placed upon them as our black school shoe. These shoes are also worn in the classrooms and school grounds, therefore, are applicable to the Department's OHS guidelines.

The Sherwood Ridge uniform policy allows more flexibility in the choice of colour for Sports and P.E. shoes.

All other requirements are the same as our uniform policy for the black school shoe.

Please keep in mind that choosing the correct sports shoes for your children will enhance their physical activity and provide sound protection for their feet and body.

Summer and Winter Uniform Change Over

Students will begin the year wearing full Summer Uniform. They will continue to wear the Summer Uniform until the first Monday after Mother's Day. They will be expected to wear full Winter Uniform until the first Monday after Father's Day until the end of the year.

Role of the P&C Uniform Committee

The uniform shop is not a school run uniform shop. It is leased and run by a private business that pays the school a fee to use the premises. The role of the uniform committee is therefore one of a consultative nature only rather than a management style committee which would be required if the shop was P&C run. The committee aims to meet once a term to discuss any feedback of a general nature to the schools uniform shop liaison and provides a valuable link with the parent body.



Areas which the committee may cover in meetings include:

- Consultation on issues related to proposed changes that are needed due to manufacturing issues eg suppliers of a particular fabric no longer available and decisions regarding a suitable nearest alternative need to be made.
- Making suggestions in regards to such matters as the type of information which would be useful in the school newsletter.
- Becoming familiar with the running of the uniform shop to assist in making decisions related to tender if and when that becomes needed.
- Assisting the school in such things as surveying the parent committee regarding the uniform shop if required.
- Other matters which may arise for discussion as determined by the schools liaison person (please contact the school for more information).

Operation of the Sherwood Ridge Public School Uniform Shop

The Uniform Shop at Sherwood Ridge Public School is operated by K-12 School Brands (K-12) a 100% Australian owned and managed business operating out of Sydney's North Western Suburbs. K-12 Uniform operates from a store in the school hall. Times that the uniform shop is open at the school is advertised to the school community. K-12 provide the school community with a range of options in the method in which purchases can be organised including a pre-ordering system. More information about uniform purchases can be obtained from the Sherwood Ridge Public School Website as well as K-12 website.

Major changes or decisions

As in all matters the school principal will make the final decision on any aspect to do with the school uniform itself or the workings of the shop.

For more information

School Website: www.sherwood-p.schools.nsw.edu.au

Uniform Shop: <https://k12uniformstore.com.au/srps/>

Matters relating to individual uniform purchases should be directed to K-12 Uniform Store who can be contacted on Tel: 02 9651 3711.

BOYS UNIFORM

<u>Summer</u>		<u>Winter</u>	
Shirt	White short sleeve shirt with School Emblem.	Shirt	White long sleeve polo shirt with School Emblem
Shorts	Navy Blue	Pants	Navy Gaberdine long pants (not track pants)
Jumper or Jacket	Navy zip jacket or v-neck jumper (embroidered with school logo).	Jumper or Jacket	Navy zip jacket or v-neck jumper (embroidered with school logo).
School Hat	Wide-brimmed hat with school logo.	School Hat	Wide-brimmed hat with school logo.
Shoes	Black	Shoes	Black
Socks	White or Navy	Socks	White or Navy

GIRLS UNIFORM

<u>Summer</u>		<u>Winter</u>	
Dress	School summer short sleeved dress	Tunic or Trouser	School Winter Tunic Navy Girls Trouser
Shorts	Navy Blue	Blouse	Long sleeved white blouse, peter pan collar with elastic tie.
Blouse	Short sleeved white blouse, peter pan collar.	Pants	Navy Gaberdine long pants (not track pants)
Jumper or Jacket	Navy zip jacket or v-neck jumper (embroidered with school logo).	Jumper or Jacket	Navy zip jacket or v-neck jumper (embroidered with school logo).
School Hat	Wide-brimmed hat with school logo.	School Hat	Wide-brimmed hat with school logo.
Shoes	Black	Shoes	Black
Socks	White or Navy	Socks	White/Navy socks or Navy tights

SPORTS UNIFORM - BOYS AND GIRLS

Polo	Custom Sports (Navy/Red) Polo
Shorts	Navy Sports Shorts
Trackpants	Navy Track Pants to match zip Jacket
Socks	White
Shoes	White athletic

Sun Smart Policy

The school promotes sun smart behaviour. *No Hat, No Play* policy applies for all students. All students are required to wear the school's broad brimmed royal blue hat at all times in the playground. Students not wearing this hat must stay under cover.

Regards



Mrs Jody Sullivan
Principal