



# UNIFORM POLICY

## Rationale:

Keelonith Primary School believes that our school uniform 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 equity and diversity, health and safety, and affordability are also factors that contribute to the establishment of the Uniform Policy.

## Goals:

- To help engender a sense of pride and belonging amongst Keelonith Primary School (KPS) students.
- To be able to identify KPS students by their school uniform.
- To provide an affordable range of durable school uniform items, appropriate to local weather conditions.
- To reduce competition between students on the basis of clothing.
- To maintain and enhance the positive image of the school in the community.
- To enhance individual student safety and group security.

## Guidelines:

**A. General-** There is no prescribed summer or winter uniform.

- KPS School colours are black, grey, white and red. The wearing of the school colours by students is compulsory and is a collective responsibility (of parents, students and staff).
- All students are required to wear the school uniform:
  - during school hours
  - when engaged in school activities out of school hours or when representing the school.
- It is strongly recommended that clothing featuring the KPS school logo is worn, but not mandated.

- No other logo or graphics, other than the Keelonith Primary School (KPS) logo to be worn.
- Denim clothing (including black denim) is not permitted to be worn.
- The School will actively promote the donation of good quality second hand uniform items for sale through the school after the first year of the school.
- All new families will be informed of the school's Uniform Policy upon enrolment and / or during the transition program.
- School Council requires the principal to be responsible for implementation of the Uniform Policy in a manner consistent with the Student Code of Conduct.
- Consequences for non-compliance with the Uniform Policy will be negotiated by the principal in conjunction with staff.
- Uniforms are ordered online or in person via Academy Uniforms.
- A wristwatch, earrings (studs / sleepers only), religious symbol necklaces or medical alert jewellery are the only items of jewellery permitted to be worn. Body piercing, with the exception of ear piercing, is not permitted.
- Smart watches can be worn but must be programmed to not access the internet or call and message during school hours.
- Makeup, coloured nail polish, extreme hair colours and / or styles are not permitted.
- To help reduce the incidence of head lice, hair longer than shoulder length must be tied back regardless of gender. Appropriate hair accessories must be in school colours or hair colour.
- Sports tops are available for when students are representing the school. The tops need to be returned to the school within one week of the event, laundered. Unreturned items will incur a replacement fee.
- Black leggings may be worn under skorts, shorts and skirts.

## **B. Headwear**

- Hats in the school colours, consistent with the Sunsmart Policy (must have a brim), are to be worn outside in Terms 1 and 4. Headwear compliant with religious faiths may be worn in conjunction with Sunsmart hats.
- KPS encourages the wearing of Sunsmart hats whilst travelling to and from school in Terms 1 and 4.
- All headwear must be plain red, grey, white or black.
- Peaked (baseball) caps are not permitted.

## **C. Footwear**

- Suitable footwear and socks (black or white) or black or grey tights must be worn. Runners are recommended as the school encourages physical activity each school day.

- Inappropriate footwear such as thongs, open-toed shoes, open toed sandals, Crocs, high heels, skater runners and wheelie shoes are not permitted on any school day including out of uniform days.

### **Exemption:**

Parents / Guardians seeking an exemption to the Uniform Policy due to religious beliefs, ethnic or cultural background, student need or health condition must have a conversation with the school leadership team.

School staff and allied health may recommend exemptions due to student sensory or emotional needs.

### **Uniform Shop:**

Academy Uniforms is our uniform provider.

**Approved Uniform Items-** all items on the uniform list.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Black leggings under shorts, skirts and skirts | <input type="checkbox"/> Cargo pants - plain black                            | <input type="checkbox"/> Windcheater - plain red   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Tracksuit pants – plain black                  | <input type="checkbox"/> Headwear -plain red, black grey or white             | <input type="checkbox"/> Polar fleece vest -plain black                                  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Skort -plain black                             | <input type="checkbox"/> Neck scarf plain-black, red, grey                    | <input type="checkbox"/> Short sleeve polo shirt -plain red or black                     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Unisex shorts -plain black                     | <input type="checkbox"/> Jackets for outdoor play in winter can be any colour | <input type="checkbox"/> Red or black polo shirt / red, white, black long-sleeved skivvy |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Boot leg pants – plain black                   |   |  |

### **Evaluation:**

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

**Date Ratified by School Council: 7<sup>th</sup> Sept , 2021**

**Review Date: Sept, 2024**

