BORONIA HEIGHTS STATE SCHOOL
STUDENT UNIFORM POLICY

EFFECTIVE 12 March 2013
(For review at the 2014 P&C AGM)

The Boronia Heights State School Parents’ and Citizens’ Association is in agreement that Boronia Heights State School is a uniform school and approves the enforcement of this uniform policy by the school’s Administration and Teaching Staff. There has been an existing dress code at the school for many years.

The Boronia Heights State School Student Uniform Policy reflects the school community standards and all students are expected to wear the approved uniform with pride. The uniform promotes a sense of belonging and fosters mutual respect among individuals at the school by minimising visible evidence of economic, class or social differences. As well as conforming to current sun safety requirements, our uniform offers protection to our students by making them easily identifiable as Boronia students.

THE WEARING OF FULL UNIFORM IS COMPSULSORY FOR ALL STUDENTS IN PREP THROUGH TO YEAR 7 AT ALL TIMES UNLESS OTHERWISE ADVISED.

UNIFORM REQUIREMENTS

Girls
- Boronia Heights State School polo shirt with school logo (royal blue, red & white).
- Royal blue shorts, skirt or netball skirt (N.B. If girls choose to wear bike pants/tights/skins they must be worn under their netball skirt; they must not be visible).
- Royal blue wide brimmed or bucket hat with embroidered school logo (red brimmed hat for Prep students).
- Closed in joggers or leather shoes with white socks.
- Boronia Heights State School long sleeve polo shirt with school logo (royal blue, red and white).
- Royal blue long pants.
- Royal blue jumper or jacket or Boronia Heights State School jacket with school logo (royal blue).
- Any additional items of undergarments that are being worn for warmth must not be visible; a long sleeved singlet is not to be worn under the short sleeved polo shirt.
- Year 7 only – commemorative short sleeve polo shirt (royal blue, red and white).
- On Sports Day students are permitted to wear a non-uniform shirt in their house colour.
- Students who participate in interschool sport will be provided with the necessary jersey/shirt to wear while competing.

Boys
- Boronia Heights State School polo shirt with school logo (royal blue, red & white).
- Royal blue shorts (N.B. If boys choose to wear bike pants/skins they must be worn under their shorts; they must not be visible).
- Royal blue wide brimmed or bucket hat with embroidered school logo (red brimmed hat for Prep students).
- Closed in joggers or leather shoes with white socks.
- Royal blue long pants.
- Boronia Heights State School long sleeve polo shirt with school logo (royal blue, red and white).
- Royal blue jumper or jacket or Boronia Heights State School jacket with school logo (royal blue).
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Items of clothing not mentioned in the above lists are not permitted to be worn to school. If there is an unexpected issue that results in a student being out of uniform, parents/carers must inform the school by way of a phone call, a written note or a personal visit. Substitute items of clothing must be as close to school colours as possible and in line with uniform standards; denim clothing, mini skirts/shorts, singlet tops and non closed in shoes are unacceptable. Students who do not adhere to the policy may be provided with a uniform from the school office to wear for the day.
Jewellery
- As jewellery can be dangerous to students involved in physical activities, minimal jewellery is to be worn to school. A wrist watch and small stud or sleeper earrings are acceptable. No other jewellery should be worn with the exception of a Medic Alert bracelet. No facial or body piercing is permitted.

Hair
- Hair that is shoulder length or longer must be tied back, regardless of gender. Hair dye is permitted only in cases where the dye is a natural colour close to the shade of the student’s actual hair colour. Hair should be cut and styled appropriately with no extreme styles. The obvious use of hair product is discouraged. Hair accessories must be in school colours (royal blue, red and white). Coloured hair is not permitted, even on Sports Day.

Body Art
- Coloured nail polish, nail art, make-up or fake tattoos are not permitted. It is illegal for anyone under the age of 18 to have a permanent tattoo.

Please note that the Principal is the only member of staff who can give permission for a variation of this policy. Students who are not in full school uniform will be unable to participate in activities outside of school such as interschool sport and excursions. Failure to comply with any part of the above policy will result in the implementation of the follow up actions outlined below.

Parents/carers are responsible for the provision and general maintenance of the uniform. It is also the responsibility of the parent/carer to clearly name all uniform items.

The Uniform Shop is located in the breezeway between the Tuckshop and the old hall. Opening hours are Mondays and Thursdays from 8:30am to 9:15am.

UNIFORM BREACH FOLLOW UP ACTIONS

At the beginning of each school day all class teachers will do a uniform check. The following action will be taken for any student who is in breach of the Boronia Heights State School Student Uniform Policy:

- If the breach involves a piece of jewellery, the teacher will ask the student to remove it and they will take care of it until the end of the day.
- If the breach involves nail polish or nail art, the student will be directed to the office where the polish will be removed with non-acetone nail polish remover.
- If the breach cannot be immediately rectified by removing the clothing item or by having the student provided with a replacement clothing item, the student will be reminded about the specific requirements of the policy in relation to that particular infringement. If no note is provided by the parent/carer, the student will be withdrawn from play for the day. At first break, students who are in breach of the uniform policy will be directed to report to the wet area of F Block where they will sit and read a book under the supervision of the Deputy Principal covering the computer lab duty. At second break they will be required to sit on the bench seats in front of Aboriginal Friendship Wall in the tuckshop area where they will be supervised by the tuckshop duty teacher.
- If the infringement is a hat infringement, the student will be directed by their class teacher to play in an area where a hat is not required. (Senior school students – Library, Computer Lab or Senior Games Room; Junior school students – Library, Computer Lab or Junior Games Room.)
- If there are continual uniform breaches by the same student, the class teacher will notify the appropriate Deputy Principal who will follow this matter up with the student’s parents/carers. An electronic record of this contact and the resulting outcome will be made. The class teacher will be informed of the resolution by the Deputy Principal. The class teacher will be asked to monitor the situation and report any further breaches of this agreement to the Deputy Principal. If the situation cannot be resolved it will be dealt with under the Boronia Heights State School Responsible Behaviour Plan for Students.

In one off cases where the parent/carer has submitted a note to explain the uniform infringement, no follow up action will apply.

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Principal

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