



St PETER'S
CATHOLIC COLLEGE

ST PETER'S UNIFORM POLICY FOR STUDENTS

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ST PETER'S UNIFORM POLICY

1.0 PURPOSE

St Peter's Catholic College is committed to ensuring students are both presentable and recognisable as proud members of the College community. The deportment and dress of our students plays a significant role in upholding our reputation within the wider community. The policy reiterates the commitment made by parents at the time of enrolment, that their child/children will maintain a neat and tidy appearance when wearing the College uniform, therefore it is imperative that this policy is supported by all students, staff, and parents at all times.

2.0 EXPECTATIONS OF STUDENTS AND FAMILIES

The College does not support fads or fashion trends and to this end, expects adherence from students to these uniform and grooming expectations.

The College, in partnership with parents, requires sustained support for this policy. This will ensure that when a student is observed wearing a St Peter's uniform in the wider community, it is a positive endorsement of both the individual and our college community.

3.0 STAFF EXPECTATIONS

Staff are accountable for the monitoring of uniforms and presentation and will work with students and their families to achieve and maintain a high standard. It is imperative that staff respond to this expectation by ensuring continued and unwavering support for this policy. It is the responsibility of all staff to seek an explanation from students who do not conform to uniform or personal presentation expectations.

4.0 CONSEQUENCES

This policy is focused on supporting students to understand their responsibilities as members of our community. Staff will not confiscate items which breach this policy. Staff will however direct students to remove the offending item and record the breach in Compass. The focus is on applying a penalty which increases in severity with each subsequent breach. This will encourage students to modify their thinking in order to avoid a breach and to ultimately eliminate attitudes which do not align with our values and expectations.

5.0 ST PETER'S JUNIOR UNIFORM (YEARS 7 TO 10)



JUNIOR GIRLS

Summer Uniform (Terms 1 and 4)

- College summer dress with hem sitting at bottom of knee when standing.
- College navy poly-cotton jumper with logo (if needed).
- White ankle socks with College trim.
- Traditional black leather lace up Clark style polishable shoes.

Optional Summer Uniform

- Short sleeved white blouse with trim in tartan with logo.
- Navy business style knee length shorts.

Winter Uniform (Terms 2 and 3)

- Short sleeved white blouse with trim in tartan with logo.
- College tartan skirt with hem sitting at bottom of knee when standing.
- College navy poly-cotton jumper with logo.
- College blazer with logo.
- Ink or Navy 60-70 denier opaque tights (no socks or knee high stockings)
- Traditional black leather lace up Clark style polishable shoes.

Optional Winter Uniform

- Navy or Grey business style long pants.
- White ankle socks with college trim worn with long pants only.
- Navy scarves and gloves.



JUNIOR BOYS

Summer Uniform (Terms 1 and 4)

- College short sleeve navy and green polo with logo on sleeve.
- Tan business style knee length shorts.
- College navy poly-cotton jumper with logo (if needed).
- Tan socks with college trim.
- Black leather belt with no visible logos.
- Traditional black leather lace up Clark style polishable shoes.

Winter Uniform (Terms 2 and 3)

- Short sleeved white shirt with logo.
- Tan business style long pants.
- Junior college tie with green stripes and logo.
- College navy poly-cotton jumper with logo.
- College blazer with logo.
- Tan socks with college trim.
- Black leather belt with no visible logos.
- Traditional black leather lace up Clark style polishable shoes.
- Navy scarves and gloves (optional)

NOTE:

- College polos, boys shirts and girls blouses, blazers and jumpers with old logos will be acceptable until the **end of 2025**.
- Girls Grey business style long pants will be acceptable until **end of 2026**.

6.0 ST PETER'S SENIOR UNIFORM (YEARS 11 and 12)



SENIOR GIRLS

Summer Uniform (Terms 1 and 4)

- Short sleeved white blouse with trim in navy with logo.
- College tartan skirt with hem sitting at bottom of knee when standing.
- College navy poly-cotton jumper with logo (if needed).
- White ankle socks with College trim.
- Traditional black leather lace up Clark style polishable shoes.

Optional Summer Uniform

- Navy or Grey business style long pants.

Winter Uniform (Terms 2 and 3)

- Short sleeved white blouse with trim in navy with logo.
- College tartan skirt with hem sitting at bottom of knee when standing.
- College navy poly-cotton jumper with logo.
- College blazer with logo.
- Ink or Navy 60-70 denier opaque tights (no socks or knee high stockings)
- Traditional black leather lace up Clark style polishable shoes.

Optional Winter Uniform

- Navy or Grey business style long pants.
- White ankle socks with college trim worn with long pants only.
- Navy scarves and gloves.

SENIOR BOYS

Summer Uniform (Terms 1 and 4)

- Short sleeved white shirt with logo.
- Tan business style long pants.
- College navy poly-cotton jumper with logo (if needed).
- Tan socks with college trim.
- Black leather belt with no visible logos.
- Traditional black leather lace up Clark style polishable shoes.

Winter Uniform (Terms 2 and 3)

- Short sleeved white shirt with logo.
- Tan business style long pants.
- Senior college tie with red stripes and logo.
- College navy poly-cotton jumper with logo.
- College blazer with logo.
- Tan socks with college trim.
- Black leather belt with no visible logos.
- Traditional black leather lace up Clark style polishable shoes.
- Navy scarves and gloves (optional)

NOTE:

- College polos, boys shirts and girls blouses, blazers and jumpers with old logos will be acceptable until the **end of 2025**.
- Girls Grey business style long pants will be acceptable until **end of 2026**.

7.0 ST PETER'S SPORTS UNIFORM (YEARS 7 TO 10)



ALL STUDENTS

Sports Uniform

- Short sleeved tan polo with trim in student's house colour with logo.
- Navy sports shorts (without adjustment to length).
- College navy microfibre zip up jacket with logo (if needed).
- College navy microfibre tracksuit pants (if needed).
- White ankle socks visible above line of shoe.
- Supportive lace up sports shoes (casual sneakers/skate style shoes are not acceptable).

Note: Students who represent the College are permitted to wear representative socks with their Sport uniform only.



8.0 SHOES (YEARS 7 TO 12)

8.1 SCHOOL SHOES

Shoes should be:

- Black
- Hard Leather
- Polishable
- Lace up
- Enclosed

School shoes are not to be sneaker style, soft leather or display any logos or colours other than black.

Please note: Leather shoes must be worn in all Science laboratories, TAS/VET workshops and TAS/VET Kitchens.

The final decision regarding the appropriateness of a shoe's style or condition is made at the discretion of the College. Students will be asked to obtain new or replacement shoes as necessary.



8.2 SPORTS SHOES

For PDHPE practical lessons and Sport, students must wear sturdy sneakers.

Sports shoes should be:

- Lace up
- Sneakers, runners, joggers or cross trainer style shoes.
- Provide support whilst doing physical activity.

Please note: Sports shoes do not include skate shoes, street shoes, platform shoes, Volleys, Vans or Converse as these styles of shoes do not provide the support required for physical activity.



9.0 YEAR 12 JACKETS

The Year 12 College Jackets can be worn on any given day, except when directed (such as on College photo day, formal assemblies or Year 12 Graduation). No other Jackets are permitted to be worn.

BACKPACKS

10.0 The College regulation backpack is required for all students. The backpack must be free from graffiti. However, the student's name can be displayed on the bag to assist with identification.

11.0 UNDERSHIRTS

The wearing of long sleeve undershirts is not permitted. If a student is cold, they may wear a plain singlet or a plain thermal t-shirt underneath the College shirt. These must not be visible.

12.0 HEADWEAR

The regulated headwear consists of the College cap or a bucket hat for students.

13.0 HAIR

13.1 FACIAL HAIR

It is expected that students are always clean-shaven. Beards, moustaches or facial hair growth is not acceptable. If a student attends the college with facial hair, a breach will be recorded and consequences will result in line with the policy. Shaving at school will no longer be permitted.

13.2 HAIR COLOUR

Hair must be of a natural colour. This means no bleaching, two toned or brightly coloured hair for either gender.

13.3 HAIR STYLES

Hairstyles must be conservative in style. Hair that reaches the collar in length should be tied back completely so that the student's face is clear of hair. Half up/half down styles are not appropriate.

Acceptable haircuts include nothing shorter than a 'Number 1' comb at the back of the head with appropriate blending.

Extreme hairstyles are not permitted for both boys and girls, this includes but is not limited to rat's tails, mullets, dreadlocks, 'skinhead' styles or tracks/lines (including eyebrow tracks/lines).

13.4 HAIR ACCESSORIES

Ribbons, bows or other decorative hair accessories must only be in the College colours of navy blue, red, green, silver or white as shown below.



Approved colours for hair accessories

14.0 JEWELLERY

14.1 BRACELETS AND ANKLETS

Bracelets and anklets are not permitted to be worn by either gender.

14.2 EARRINGS

Earrings must be either a plain unadorned solid small gold or silver round ball stud 5mm in size, or sleepers. Clear studs are permitted for ears only.

Small sleeper earrings are defined as having a diameter of 15 mm or less. Sleeper earrings must be close to the lobe of the ear and not hang as a large hoop. The sleeper style earring should not have any dangling adornments.

Only two earrings in each ear are permitted and this should be worn in the lower ear lobe of the ear. Any additional piercings above the ear lobe are required to have clear studs. This includes helix, conch or tragus piercings (or similar).

Nose rings and other piercings located on the face are also not permitted. It is not acceptable to wear clear studs for nose or other piercings other than the lower ear lobe. It is not acceptable to request time for piercing to settle/heal to avoid closing up.

14.3 GUIDE TO EARRING STYLE AND SIZE

Small sleeper earrings 10 to 15mm maximum



Small round stud earrings 5mm maximum



14.4 NECKLACES

A simple plain light weight gold or silver coloured necklace may be worn which may bear a sacramental crucifix or religious image only no other pendants are to be worn. The chain must be long enough to not be visible to the eye and always kept under the uniform.

NOTE: Chains increase risk in some subject areas. Students may be required to remove their chain during certain learning activities.

14.5 RINGS

Rings are not permitted.

14.6 WATCHES

Analog watches are permitted. Smart watches are deemed to be peripherals under the College Mobile Device Policy and therefore should not be seen or heard during the hours of 8.40am to 3.10pm.

15.0 MAKE-UP & BODY ART

15.1 NAILS

Nails should be kept clean and moderate in length. This means that fingernails extend no more than 2mm beyond the fingertip. The use of artificial nails is not permitted.

Nail polish is to be clear only, no colour polish or nail art is permitted.

15.2 MAKE-UP

Makeup is not permitted at the College. Students will be required to remove make-up if they arrive at school wearing face, eye, and/or lip makeup. Tinted moisturiser, BB creams and tinted sunscreens are acceptable.

15.3 LASHES

The application of artificial lashes is not permitted.

15.4 ARTIFICIAL TAN

Applied salon or lotion tans must be natural in appearance.

15.5 TATTOOS

The display of tattoos is not permitted. This means that all tattoos must be covered by the wearing of long trousers or the College jumper or a suitable bandage. This cover-up expectation also applies for students participating in any school event and on mufti days.

16.0 MUFTI DAYS, RETREATS, SCHOOL CAMPS AND OTHER ALTERNATE DRESS DAYS

16.1 The wearing of mufti clothing for mufti days, retreats and any other alternate dress days must be respectable, clean, and modest under all circumstances. Modesty is defined as not revealing in nature to expose body parts such as exposing of the midriff or the stomach area, buttocks, and/or breasts or see-through clothing.

Students are not permitted to wear clothing that is deemed socially offensive, vulgar, racist, or inappropriate. Offensiveness extends to crude or rude slogans, images or inference to drug culture, alcohol, or anti-religious sentiment. Students may be excluded from the activity or sent home if this is the case. All clothing must not pose a physical risk to self or others (spikes, studs etc.)

Activewear may be worn on mufti days but must ensure that it is modest and does not expose the midriff, stomach area, buttocks, and/or breast areas of the body. This also includes short shorts that sit directly under the buttocks like underwear or short skirts.

Shoes worn during mufti must be enclosed. If they have inappropriate footwear, students may be excluded from the activity or sent home if this is the case. Note: slippers, UGG boots etc are not appropriate footwear.

17.0 CARNIVALS

17.1 SUN SAFETY

Sun safe attire and the application of sunscreen at these events is essential. Students are encouraged to wear a rash top for all college swimming events and carnivals. Sunscreen will be readily available and provided to students at these events.

17.2 SPORTS WEAR

The wearing of sports uniform is expected at carnivals and college related sports. Students are not permitted to participate in sport if they are wearing athletic crop-tops, bra-like tops, overly small tight fitting or short shorts that sit under the buttocks like underwear. No translucent activewear may be worn such as sheer tops or see-through pants, shorts, or leggings.

Also not permitted is the wearing of revealing one-piece swimmers which exposes body parts such as buttocks, breast or side breasts. G-string style swimmers or a bikini style swimming costume are not permitted.

Students will not be permitted to participate in the Swimming Carnival if they come inappropriately dressed.

17.3 NRL RISE PROGRAM UNIFORM

Students in the NRL RISE Program are required to wear the official RISE uniform for all RISE sessions. For ILP sessions the RISE uniform is to be brought to school and students will be given the opportunity to change into the uniform prior to class.

On days students participate in the RISE program as part of the College Sport program the RISE uniform can be worn to and from school.

18.0 PERMISSION TO BE OUT OF UNIFORM

18.1 On very rare occasions it may be that a student is unable to wear the appropriate uniform for the day.

A note from the parents/carers should be provided to their Homeroom Teacher outlining the reason for the student being out of uniform, which will be recorded in the student diary. It is not acceptable for a student to be excused from wearing the College uniform on a long term basis.

19.0 SPECIAL CONSIDERATION

The College understands that from time-to-time individual students may request special consideration for an exception from part of this policy. Scope for special considerations includes:

19.1 MEDICAL NEEDS

This includes returning to school with an injury that may require special consideration of uniform to better accommodate the needs of the students.

This also applies to students who may have ongoing-medical needs or post-operative needs that require consideration.

In these circumstances, families are required to provide a written letter from a doctor, medical specialist or provide post-operative instructions as evidence of the medical need for exemption.

A meeting in person with the respective Leader of Wellbeing may also be required prior to special consideration being granted.

Families are required to contact either the Leader of Wellbeing for their appropriate year group or the Leader of Wellbeing for Junior or Senior, Wellbeing for Learning Lead or Assistant Principal for Evangelisation & Catechesis to discuss their child's special consideration for medical needs.

19.2 CULTURAL/RELIGIOUS NEEDS

The College is aware of cultural and religious diversity in our community. To better understand cultural-religious obligations, we endeavour to work with cultural-religious groups in the community.

A letter from the parent, supported by correspondence from an Elder, Pastor or Religious Leader is required. This is to verify the cultural-religious obligation and period of this cultural-religious obligation and any specific observances, as applicable, e.g. in the Hindi culture, it is religiously observant that males do not cut their hair from boyhood and that this hair is then placed in a Jooda.

The College will require the contact details of the religious leader. The College may contact the Cultural/Religious Leader to verify and better understand the observance.

Families are required to contact either the Leader of Wellbeing for their appropriate year group, Wellbeing for Learning Lead or Assistant Principal Evangelisation & Catechesis to discuss their child's special cultural needs.

19.3 SPECIAL EVENTS

Special considerations are addressed on a case-by-case basis and need to be discussed with the relevant Homeroom teacher.

An email from a parent/carer to the respective Homeroom Teacher is required in the first instance. This will then be followed by a meeting between the student and the respective Leader of Wellbeing to have the special consideration documented on Compass and in the student diary.

The student will be required to keep this pass on their person at all times to be able to explain that they have been granted special consideration.

After the event has passed it will be expected that the special consideration will conclude. The student will return to full uniform and adherence to the policy.

It is unacceptable that this special consideration be abused, and the College will monitor records to ensure this is not the case.

Families are required to contact either the Leader of Wellbeing for their appropriate year group, Wellbeing for Learning Lead or Assistant Principal for Evangelisation & Catechesis to discuss their child's special consideration for special events.