



**St Peter's  
Woodlands**

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# Uniform Policy

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## 1. Introduction / Philosophy

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St Peter's Woodlands is an affordable, co-educational Anglican primary school which embraces social justice and is inclusive of all people, regardless of religious faith, culture, gender or disability.

The SPW school uniform is designed to identify the school and its students. SPW expects that all students wear the correct school uniform according to the Uniform Regulations when travelling to and from school, attending school or school activities/events, and as advised by the school on other occasions.

Parents/caregivers of SPW students are expected to support this policy and ensure students are provided with and wear the school uniform correctly.

## 2. Scope

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This policy applies to all students of SPW, enrolled in the Early Learning Centre to Year 6, their parents/caregivers, and all SPW staff.

## 3. Objectives

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To assist with the provision of a safe school environment for students.

To identify SPW students and SPW ELC students and encourage a sense of pride in the school.

To provide students with age appropriate and activity-appropriate clothing.

## 4. Implementation

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The wearing of school uniform is compulsory. School uniform is to be worn correctly and at all times by all students unless specifically granted an exemption.

All uniform items are to be clearly labelled with the child's name. Lost or missing uniform items are not the responsibility of the school.

## 5. Published Regulations

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The School Uniform Regulations are updated as required and are published on the SPW website, the SkoolBag app, and the ELC Family Handbook (for ELC uniform regulations). These regulations are also available at the Uniform Shop and are given to all new families as part of their enrolment pack.

## 6. General Regulations and Information

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### 6.1. General Regulations (ELC-Year 6)

- Jewellery – The only items permitted are plain gold or silver ear studs (one per ear).
- Nail polish and make-up may not be worn.
- Scarves are not to be worn in class.
- Coats are not to be worn in class.
- Full school uniform must be worn to and from school (hats and jumpers excepted).
- Jumpers and tracksuit tops may not be tied around waists.

### 6.2. General Regulations (Reception-Year 6)

- Girls' dresses and skirts must cover the knee but not be longer than mid-calf.

- In the two weeks either side of the change-over from summer to winter or winter to summer uniform (i.e. end of Term 1/beginning of Term 2 and end of Term 3/beginning of Term 4) children may wear either winter or summer uniform (not a mixture of both). Full school winter or summer uniform will be required on days of significance (e.g. school photo days, excursions etc) which occur during these transition periods and parents will be advised of these dates and which uniform is to be worn.
- Visible T-shirts, singlets, or other undershirts may not be worn under school shirts.

### **6.3. Shoes**

To encourage students to be as active as possible, shoes for ELC-Year 6 students should be chosen to accommodate active play and growing feet. For safety in classrooms and in outdoor areas, fully enclosed shoes are to be worn (no sandals).

### **6.4. Hair**

It is our expectation that children will wear conservative hairstyles. This means that undercuts, overhanging sides, long fringes, alternative hair colour, head shaving or lettering and cuts lower than No 3 cutters are not acceptable. Fringes are to be kept well clear of eyes and it is our expectation that long hair will be neatly tied back, braided etc at all times to keep it clear of the face.

Only royal blue ribbons, elastics, scrunchies or head bands are to be worn.

### **6.5. Hats**

School hats in the correct style must be worn for all outside activities as follows:

- ELC students – all terms (compulsory)
- Reception-Year 6 students – Hats are compulsory from 1 August to 30 April

### **6.6. PE Uniform and & Sport Uniforms (Reception-Year 6)**

There is a distinction between the PE (Physical Education) uniform and the Sports uniforms:

- The PE uniform is for all students to wear for PE lessons. Children may wear their full PE uniform to school for the entire school day on days when they have a designated timetabled PE lesson.
- The PE uniform is also worn for after-school sports practices and for other activities as advised. This may include events such as Sports Days.
- For daily fitness, students may need to change their school shoes for sports shoes. They must then change back into their school shoes for the remainder of the day.
- The Sports Uniform is for students who represent the school in competitive sport. Details of the uniform requirements for each sport are detailed in the Uniform Regulations document.

### **6.7. Parent/Caregiver Support**

Parents/caregivers are requested to ensure that a high standard of dress is maintained at all times.

If there is a particular reason why a child cannot wear the correct uniform, the parent/caregiver is to discuss this with the class teacher. The class teacher may need to seek guidance from the Principal/Deputy Principal.

### **6.8. Seniors' Jacket**

The Seniors' Jacket is organised near the end of the previous year through the Uniform Shop as a celebratory keepsake for students in Year 6. The jacket can be worn with the formal or PE uniform including to and from school, and Assembly and Chapel Services. Students are permitted to wear the annual Seniors' Jacket on normal school days, as the outer layer of clothing. The jumper or vest remains the formal outer layer and must be worn on formal occasions.

## 6.9. Badges of Office

Students who hold a leadership position such as School/House Captain or SSLC Representative are permitted to wear their school-issued badges with their uniform. The badge is to be worn on the chest of the blouse/shirt/jumper/vest/house polo above the SPW emblem.

## 6.10. SAPSASA Badges

SAPSASA achievement patches (woven) may be sewn to the leg of the black PE shorts.

## 6.11. Change of Logos/Designs

School uniform items may be redesigned periodically. When such design changes occur, previous designs may be worn for two years before becoming obsolete. This allows families time to purchase new designs as children grow out of uniform items.

## 6.12. School Bags

Students in Reception-Year 6 are to use the SPW school bag. A number of designs and sizes are available from the Uniform Shop.

Students in the Early Learning Centre may provide their own choice of bag. See the ELC Parent Handbook for more information.

# 7. Uniform Shop

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The SPW Uniform Shop is located in the Nutter Thomas building, and is open at times advertised on site, on the SPW website, and on the SkoolBag app. The shop is run by a Uniform Shop Manager, under the direction of the Business Manager. The shop is contactable on 7221 6295 during opening hours.

# 8. New Families

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New families are encouraged to make an appointment with the Uniform Shop to be fitted with uniform items. These appointments may be made throughout the year, and are particularly encouraged around October/November for students starting in the following calendar year.

# 9. Review

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The Policy will be reviewed every five years, or as advised by regulatory change, change in considered best practice, change in the business environment, or change to the uniform items/practices. The review will include checks to ensure the strategy reflects current legislation, continues to be effective, or whether any changes and additional training are required. The review will be conducted by the Executive Leadership Team.

# 10. Further Information

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Further information regarding this policy is available from any member of the Executive Leadership Team.

## Relevant Legislation

None

## Related Policies

WHS-34

Skin Protection

PRIN-74 Sport

### **Related Procedures, Regulations, & Standard Operating Procedures**

REGULATIONS Uniform

### **Related Forms & Regulations**

FORM Application for Enrolment

FORM Enrolment Information ELC-6

### **Related Safe Work Practices & Guidance Notes**

None

### **Related Other Documentation**

SPW Prospectus

SPW Starter Pack

SPW ELC Family Handbook

SPW Student Diary

INFOSHEET Qkr! App

### **Other**

None