

Baulkham Hills North Public School - Uniform Policy

This policy aims to -

- implement the recommendations in the BHNPS sun protection policy.
- take into account the diverse nature of the school community by providing a uniform that is sensitive to the needs of various cultural groups.
- provide a uniform that meets the needs of a range of physical builds.
- provide a standard uniform that is appropriate for the age range of the students.
- ensure equality of all students regardless of cultural background, gender and economic circumstances.
- unify the students and create a feeling of school spirit, loyalty and belonging by creating a common identity.

Rationale

The Department of Education and Training supports the wearing of a school uniform. The Department recognises that the uniform will be decided by the local school community. The standard uniform reflects the school community standards and is consistent with anti-discrimination and equal opportunity legislation.

Students in all year levels are expected to demonstrate respect for the school rules and loyalty by wearing the complete school uniform at school and at official school events and excursions, unless otherwise instructed by the Principal and or his/her delegate.

The uniform has been developed and changed over time in consultative process involving parents, students and staff.

Compliance

The school prides itself on the high level of compliance of students with the policy, and on the overall appearance of students in this area. The school community has committed itself to the school uniform, and the staff expects the students to comply. Parents are notified if there is an ongoing problem, and students are regularly reminded of their responsibility. Students are regularly recognised for uniform compliance through various reward processes.

While in the main part, positive reinforcement and polite reminders to students ensure that the uniform is worn, and worn neatly, there is a quality behaviour aspect that comes into play as soon as necessary.

The Uniform Policy is monitored by the Student welfare team, however every teacher has a responsibility to ensure that the uniform is worn correctly.

The school Sun Safe Policy set in place for reasons of student health and safety, is another aspect of the school uniform and compliance is achieved in the same way. The wearing of jewellery items is discouraged due to safety issues. However, watches, stud and sleeper earrings are permitted.

A “Uniform Notification” letter will be sent home in cases where children consistently are non compliant in the wearing of the uniform unless explained by written note by the parents/caregivers.

Further Considerations

1. School badges are available for purchase to be sewn or ironed onto generic garments.
2. Year 3 -6 girls involved in track and field events, are advised that the shorts rather than the skirt are to be worn at some representative levels.
3. There will be a two week transition period at the beginning of Term 2 and at the end of Term 3 when the weather is changing. During this time, students may wear either summer or winter uniform.
4. The school tie and blazer may be worn for official functions. The school has a stock of these ties and blazers which will be loaned to students who require them at no cost to parents.
5. Some latitude will be shown in regard to the wearing of;
 - The sports tracksuit jacket and the school jacket or jumper. Both items can be worn during normal school days. At times when the students are representing the school the plain green school jacket or jumper should be worn and
 - girls may wear either green tights or white socks with the winter tunic however, at times when the students are representing the school green tights should be worn.

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<u>Girls</u>	Summer Terms 1 and 4	Green check culottes White peter pan collar blouse with matching piping White ankle socks School hat with logo Green/white hair accessories Black school shoes
	Winter Terms 2 and 3	Green check tunic with back and front pleat White long sleeve button shirt Green tights Green school jacket or jumper with logo School hat Green/white hair accessories Black school shoes <u>Optional</u> - During the colder months of winter, the girls may wear green bootleg pants, white shirt and school jacket. This alternative uniform cannot be worn when the children represent the school.
<u>Boys</u>	Summer Terms 1 and 4	Bottle green Scaggs shorts White open neck short sleeve shirt with school logo School socks (grey with white and green stripes) School hat with logo Black school shoes
	Winter Terms 2 and 3	Long grey Scaggs trouser Long sleeve classic white shirt with school logo School calf length socks (grey with white and green stripes) School jacket or jumper with logo School hat with logo Black school shoes

Baulkham Hills North Public School Sport Uniform

<u>Girls and Boys</u> (Unisex)	Summer Terms 1 and 4	Green and white micromesh polo with school logo Green micromesh unisex shorts (optional skort for girls) School sport socks with school logo or plain white sport ankle socks School hat with logo Sport shoes
	Winter Terms 2 and 3	Microfibre green and white tracksuit with school logo Long sleeve sports polo shirt School sport socks with school logo or plain white sport ankle socks School hat with logo Sport shoes

