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Policy statement

At Parklands Christian College, we place great importance on our school uniform as it reflects our values and contributes to a positive, focused, and cohesive learning environment. Wearing the correct uniform fosters a sense of pride, unity, and equality among our students, ensuring that no one feels excluded or judged based on their clothing choices. By removing distractions related to fashion or personal style, we help students concentrate on their formal and personal development, reinforcing that their education is the priority.

The uniform instils discipline and professionalism, preparing students for future workplaces where dress codes and standards are often expected. It plays a key role in maintaining safety and security on campus, allowing staff to identify students and visitors easily. Our uniform reflects our commitment to modesty, respect, and integrity, values we strive to uphold in all aspects of school life.

Compliance with the uniform policy is not optional. Even if a particular item or style is not explicitly listed in this policy, it will be considered unacceptable if it fails to meet our standards of neatness, modesty, and professionalism. Parents and caregivers are expected to ensure their children are always dressed in full accordance with these expectations. Consistency in uniform is essential for maintaining the culture and standards of the College, and cooperation is both appreciated and required.

Responsibilities

It is not the responsibility of the Parklands Christian College staff to dress students or check uniform. Parents and caregivers are responsible for their children's attire and compliance to the College uniform policy contained herein. Parents and caregivers must release students into the care of College staff ensuring their child or children are in full and correct uniform, regardless of age.

Students are required to always wear the appropriate uniform. Uniform clothing must be worn not only on school days but also to official school functions and sporting events. Should extenuating circumstances arise which may result in an infringement or breach of the uniform policy, communication with the College via a note, email or phone call, outlining a rectification action and time frame must be supplied. The only exceptions to this regulation are:

- if a special announcement is made advising otherwise;
- if a student travels to and from a sporting event by car, in which case sportswear may be worn.

Please contact: uniformpass@parklands.qld.edu.au or 3380 4200

PRIMARY UNIFORM

All students are expected to wear the correct Parklands Christian College uniform to school each day. Uniform items must match the official school design and style. Similar items that are not part of the official uniform are not permitted.

Summer formal uniform – Terms 1 & 4 (not applicable to Prep)

GIRLS

PRIMARY School Years 1 – 6

- Tunic - length to be on the knee OR
- Collage blouse with a culotte.
- White/blue/red stripe socks with black leather-upper formal shoes (as outlined below in 'Shoes').
- Shoes must be fully enclosed, polishable, and have a low, flat heel. (Mary Jane's are not permitted).
- Sports bucket hat.

BOYS

PRIMARY boys Years 1 – 6

- Checked shirt over navy shorts - length to be on the knee.
- Navy formal socks with black leather-upper formal shoes (as outlined below in 'Shoes').
- Sports bucket hat.

Winter formal uniform – Terms 2 & 3 (not applicable to Prep)

The Parklands jumper is to be worn only with the formal uniform. The softshell jacket may be worn with both the formal and sports uniforms. The Sports tracksuit jacket is to be worn only with the sports uniform. Additional layers may be worn for warmth provided they are not visible beneath the standard uniform.

GIRLS

PRIMARY Girls Years 1 – 6

- Tunic - length to be on the knee - with navy formal jumper or softshell jacket OR
- College blouse with a culotte. Long academic trousers may be worn instead of the culotte.
- Navy or black stockings may be worn with or without socks with black leather upper formal shoes (as outlined below in 'Shoes').
- Shoes must be fully enclosed, polishable, and have a low, flat heel. (Mary Jane's are not permitted).
- Sports tracksuit pants are not to be worn with the Formal uniform.
- Sports bucket hat.

BOYS

PRIMARY boys Years 1 – 6

- Checked shirt over navy shorts – length to be on the knee.
- Navy formal socks with black leather-upper formal shoes (as outlined below in 'Shoes').
- Boys may wear long Parklands formal trousers as part of the Formal uniform.
- Sports tracksuit pants are not to be worn with the Formal uniform.
- Sports bucket hat.

Sports uniform (including Prep)

- All students are expected to wear the correct Parklands Chrisitan College uniform to school each day. Uniform items must match the official school design and style. Similar items that are not part of the official uniform are not permitted.
- The Parklands sports shirt should be loose-fitting and long enough to cover hips when arms are raised.
- Parklands navy blue sports shorts of modest length (not too short – at least mid-thigh)
- White Parklands sports socks with white leather-upper sports shoes (as outlined below in 'Shoes').
- Sports jacket or softshell jacket.
- Parklands sport tracksuit pants may be worn.
- Stockings are not permitted with the sport uniform.
- Sports bucket hat.

Shoes

Shoes must be fully enclosed, polishable, and have a low flat heel. For example, Mary Jane-style shoes are not permitted. Velcro fastenings are permitted for students in Prep to Year 2 while they are learning to tie laces. From Year 3 onwards, students are expected to wear lace-up shoes. High top shoes and boots are not permitted. Students must wear low-cut school shoes as part of the uniform.

FORMAL (not applicable to Prep)

- Formal shoes are to be plain black formal, with leather upper (including the tongue).
- Leather upper shoes should not be suede and should be entirely black, including all laces, soles and trim details.
- Laces must be black.

SPORTS

- Sports shoes are to be white, leather-upper cross trainers, that provide support during active play.
- Mesh surfaces are not permitted.
- Shoes with coloured soles, coloured laces, coloured logos, or coloured panels are not permitted.
- Suede, skate shoes, Dunlop Volleys, Converse, Vans and casual footwear and the like are not sufficient.
- Laces must be white.

Grooming & Presentation

- Uniform must be kept clean, pressed, and in good repair at all times.
- Hair must be neat, tidy, and conservative. Extreme hairstyles are not permitted. This includes, but is not limited to undercuts, rat tails, mullets, mohawks, or hair with lines, patterns, or images shaved into them. Any hairstyle that draws undue attention, is inconsistent with the intent of the uniform policy, or is deemed inappropriate by College leadership may be required to be changed.
- Pimple patches and similar items must be skin-coloured and of natural appearance.

Hair

Haircuts must be neat, tidy and conservative: extreme styles will not be tolerated.

GIRLS

- Hair must be off the face, brow line and ears and of a natural colour and appearance. Alternative colours and extreme styles are not permitted.
- Hair longer than the shoulders must be completely secured, tied back using red, white, blue, or natural hair-coloured ties, ribbons or scrunchies.
- Hair shorter than the shoulders – must be secured off the face using pins, hair ties, head bands and clips in red, white, blue, or natural hair colours.
- Fringes are to be above the brow line.
- All hair accessories must be practical, modest, and appropriate for school activities. Large bows, oversized scrunchies, decorative headbands, or novelty items are not permitted.

BOYS

- Hair must be off the face, brow line, ears and collar and of a natural colour and appearance. Alternative colours and extreme styles are not permitted.
- Fringes are to be above the brow line.
- Length of cut must be a minimum blade of 2.
- Hair must not be secured in a ponytail.
- Male students are required to attend school clean shaven.

Jewellery

- Girls may wear only one plain gold or silver stud (3mm round or square ONLY) or sleeper (12mm) in the lower lobe of each ear.
- Small round studs with pearls or gemstone are permitted.
- Boys with pierced ears are permitted to wear a single clear stud retainer.
- To allow for healing time, the College recommends new piercings be done over the summer holiday break only.
- Approved school badges are permitted.
- No jewellery items other than the above are permitted.
- Nail polish and make-up are not permitted.
- Students may wear a wristwatch where the wrist band does not exceed the width of the watch face.
- Smartwatches are not permitted in Primary School. This device can distract from learning, and allow unmonitored, potentially unsafe communication or recording. We aim to foster student independence, attention, and safe, age-appropriate use of technology.
- If a smartwatch is seen by a staff member during the school day, the student will be asked to sign it in to Primary Admin to be collected at the end of the day.

Non-uniform accessories

- Fingernails must be of a natural colour and appearance. Nail polish and fake nails are not permitted. Nails are to be no more than 3mm in length.
- Make-up is not permitted.
- Eyelashes must be of a natural colour and appearance. No lash extensions are permitted.
- No facial piercings are permitted. Students with these piercings must use clear plastic studs while at school.
- Tattoos and other foreign body markings are not permitted.

Uniform Shop

- All uniform items must be purchased from the College Uniform Shop, with the only exceptions being underwear, sunglasses, and similar personal items.
- Hair accessories, including hair ties, scrunchies, and hair bands, may be obtained from the College Uniform Shop to ensure consistency and compliance with our standards.
- Certain sports accessories, such as skins or medical supports for injuries, may be permitted where appropriate; however, these must be plain and consistent with College colours.
    - Non-regulation or store-bought alternatives that do not meet these requirements will not be permitted.

Bags

- All students, P-12, are to use the formal bag with PCC logo.

Labelling of uniforms and equipment

- All uniform items must be labelled in multiple locations.
- It is advisable to use a range of different labelling methods.
- Labelling should not be visible from the outside of the garment or hat.

Sun safety

In response to current medical advice, Parklands Christian College encourages students to remain out of the direct sun when and wherever possible. When activities must take place outdoors, we will encourage our students to protect themselves from the harmful UV sunrays in the following ways:

HATS

- Students must wear their PCC bucket hat when participating in outside sport and other outdoor activities. *No hat means no play.* Students without a Parklands sun-safe hat during break times will be directed to sit in a designated undercover seated area or attend the library.
- The coloured side of the bucket hat can be worn facing out on sports days, free dress days or as directed by staff.

SUNGLASSES

- Students are allowed to wear sunglasses to protect their eyes from harmful UV radiation while participating in outdoor activities (when safe and appropriate to do so).
- Fashion sunglasses with minimal UV rating are not permitted.
- Sunglasses should be stored in a sunglasses case and placed on desks, whilst in classroom spaces.

SUNSCREEN

- Students should ensure that they have adequate supplies of maximum protection sunscreen for school activities that occur outdoors. This is particularly important in situations where the nature of the activity (fast running, swimming, and similar activities) may prevent the practical wearing of a hat. In addition, the Physical Education Specialist has sunscreen available.

Follow up procedures

The Principal and Head of School reserve the right to suspend a student internally (at school) or externally (at home) for failing to comply with Parklands Christian College uniform standards, as outlined in this document or reasonably implied in accordance with our College Values and Codes of Conduct.

- Students are required to attend RTC before 8.30am to be allocated a uniform pass if wearing incorrect uniform items.
- Repeated uniform infringements will result in a referral to the Responsible Thinking Classroom (RTC) for non-compliance.

- Parents/Caregivers will be notified either by email or phone to advise them of student uniform infringement.
- Parents/Caregivers are asked to support the college by rectifying the uniform standard promptly.
- Students will be required to put inappropriate items in their school bag. If the item is seen again, it will be confiscated and must be collected from Primary Administration by the student's parents/caregivers.
- Where an item cannot be removed, the parent/caregiver will be contacted to collect their child.
- The Deputy Head of Primary or Head of Primary will notify parents/caregivers by phone or email if student uniform infringements become a regular occurrence and may require further student disciplinary action.

Lost and found

Parklands Christian College does not take responsibility for the loss of any item of uniform or personal accessory (such as watch or earrings). These items are the responsibility of the student; as such, valuable items should not be brought to school.

SECONDARY UNIFORM

Summer formal uniform – Terms 1 & 4

GIRLS

Middle School Years 7 – 9

- Blouse with light blue/navy tie
- Pleated skirt, length to be on the knee or long navy trouser
- White/blue/red stripe socks
- Black leather-upper formal shoes (entirely black including all laces, soles, and trim details)
- Formal hat

Senior School Years 10 -12

- Blouse with red and navy tie
- Pleated skirt, length to be on the knee or long navy trouser
- White/blue/red stripe socks
- Black leather-upper formal shoes (entirely black including all laces, soles, and trim details)
- Formal hat

BOYS

Middle School Years 7 – 9

- Navy pleated shorts
- Light blue shirt, worn over shorts
- Navy formal socks with
- Black leather-upper formal shoes (entirely black including all laces, soles, and trim details)
- Formal hat

Senior School Years 10 – 12

- Navy pleated shorts
- Light blue shirt, worn over shorts
- Navy formal socks
- Black leather-upper formal shoes (entirely black including all laces, soles, and trim details)
- Formal hat

Winter formal uniform – Terms 2 & 3

GIRLS

Middle School Years 7 – 9

- Girls Summer Formal Uniform (as listed above) with the addition of:
  - The formal navy jumper or softshell jacket
  - Additional layers may be worn for warmth provided they are not visible beneath the standard uniform
  - With skirt: navy or black stockings may be worn instead of socks

Senior School Years 10 -12

- Girls Summer Formal Uniform (as listed above) with the addition of:
  - Blazer jacket
  - The formal navy jumper or softshell jacket may be worn underneath the blazer for warmth.
  - Additional layers may be worn for warmth provided they are not visible beneath the standard uniform.

- The college blazer remains the outermost and priority garment. As the weather warms, extra layers should be removed first.
- Navy or black stockings may be worn with or without socks with black leather-upper formal shoes (entirely black including all laces, soles, and trim details).

BOYS

Middle School Years 7 – 9

- Boys Summer Formal Uniform (as listed above) with the addition of:
  - Navy formal jumper or softshell jacket
  - Additional layers may be worn for warmth provided they are not visible beneath the standard uniform
  - Navy long trouses may be worn instead of shorts.

Senior School Years 10 – 12

- Boys Summer Formal Uniform (as listed above) with the addition of:
- Blazer jacket
- Long navy trousers worn with a plain navy or black belt, light blue shirt tucked in, and red tie.
- The formal navy jumper or softshell jacket may be worn underneath the blazer for warmth.
- Additional layers may be worn for warmth provided they are not visible beneath the standard uniform.
- The college blazer remains the outermost and priority garment. As the weather warms, extra layers should be removed first.

Sports uniform

- Parklands sports shirt with navy blue sports shorts.
- The shirt needs to be loose fitting and long enough to cover hips when arms are raised.
- Sports shorts must be of modest length (not too short – at least mid-thigh)
- Parklands sports socks with appropriate leather sports shoes.
- Sports cap or bucket hat.
- Sports jacket or softshell jacket.
  - The softshell jacket may be worn with both the sports and formal uniform.

Shoes

FORMAL

- Formal shoes are to be black formal, upper leather.
- Open top shoes are not permitted.
- Leather upper shoes should not be suede, nor should they have any adorning tags and alike.
- Suede, skate shoes, Dunlop Volleys, Converse, Vans, casual footwear and the like are not sufficient.
- Formal shoes are to be entirely black including all laces, soles, and trim details.

SPORTS

- Sports shoes are to be upper leather, which provide support during active play. Any colour is acceptable.
- Suede, skate shoes, Dunlop Volleys, Converse, Vans, casual footwear and alike are not sufficient.
- There should be **no mesh** sections on sports shoes.

Sport Specific Shoes

- Subject-specific footwear (track, soccer, golf and alike) may only be worn during practical lessons and only by permission from the teacher.

Important Safety Requirement for Sport Shoes

- Students without appropriate leather upper sport shoes must wear formal shoes with their sport uniform, except during practical sport lessons, until compliant footwear is obtained.

Grooming & Presentation

- Clothes must be kept clean and pressed
- Shoes should be cleaned and polished
- Formal and sporting hats must be kept in shape
- All items can and must be purchased at the college uniform shop with the exception of:
    - formal shoes
    - sports shoes
    - trade boots and trade socks
    - black or navy belt
- Haircuts must be neat, tidy, and conservative. Extreme hairstyles are not permitted. This includes, but is not limited to:
    - undercuts
    - rat tails
    - mullets
- Mohawks
    - hair with lines, patterns, or images shaved into it.

1. Any hairstyle that draws undue attention, is inconsistent with the intent of the uniform policy, or is deemed inappropriate by school leadership may be required to be changed.
2. Pimple patches and similar items must be skin-coloured and of natural appearance.

Hair

Haircuts must be neat, tidy and conservative: extreme styles will not be tolerated.

GIRLS

- Hair must be off the face and of a natural colour and appearance.
- Hair longer than the shoulders must be completely secured, tied back using red, white, blue, or natural hair-coloured hair ties, ribbons or scrunchies.
- Shorter than the shoulders - must be secured off the face using red, white, blue, or natural hair-coloured pins, hair ties, headbands, or clips. Fringes are to be above the brow line
- Alternative colours and extreme styles are not permitted.

BOYS

- Hair must be off the brow line, ears, and collar and of a natural colour and appearance
- Fringes are to be above the brow line
- Cut to a minimum blade of 2
- Alternative colours and extreme styles are not permitted
- Hair must not be secured in a ponytail
- Students are required to attend school clean shaven.

Jewellery

- Girls may wear only one plain gold or silver stud (3mm round or square ONLY) or sleeper (12mm) in the lower lobe of each ear. Tiny pearl or gemstone studs (round or square ONLY) are also permitted.

- Students may wear a wristwatch where the wrist band does not exceed the width of the watch face.
- No jewellery other than approved badges is permitted.
- Medical alert jewellery may be permitted where it is deemed essential with prior approval from the College and must be supported by appropriate medical documentation.

Non-uniform accessories

- Tattoos and other foreign body markings are not permitted.
- Artificial nails, and nail polish are not permitted. Nails are to be no more than 3mm. Eyelashes must be of a natural colour and appearance. Lash extensions are not permitted.
- Facial piercings are not permitted.
    - Students with these piercings must use clear plastic studs.
    - To allow for healing time, the College recommends new piercings over the summer holiday break only.
- Smartwatches are permitted in Secondary School, except during exam conditions.
- Mobile phones are not permitted during school hours (8:30am - 3:20pm). They must be turned off and placed in lockers, remaining out of sight throughout school hours
- No headphones/in ears/air pods are permitted between 8:25am and 3:20pm, except when directed by a teacher/staff member.

Uniform Shop

- All uniform items must be purchased from the College Uniform Shop, with the only exceptions being footwear, underwear, sunglasses, and similar personal items.
- Hair accessories, including hair ties, scrunchies, and hair bands, may be obtained from the College Uniform Shop to ensure consistency and compliance with our standards.
- Certain sports accessories, such as skins or medical supports for injuries, may be permitted where appropriate; however, these must be plain and consistent with College colours.
    - Non-regulation or store-bought alternatives that do not meet these requirements will not be permitted.

Bags

- All students P-12: Formal bag (backpack or trolley) with PCC logo
- Sports duffle bag with PCC logo: optional for P-12.
    - designed to be used for sport equipment or specialist subjects.
    - may be used instead of PCC backpack for secondary, but all students must own a PCC backpack. Strong preference that a PCC backpack is used first and foremost, sports bag is in addition to a PCC backpack

Labelling of uniforms and equipment

- All uniform items must be labelled in in at least 2 locations on each garment.
- It is advisable to use a range of different labelling methods.
- Labelling should not be visible from the outside of the garment or hat.

Sun safety

In response to current medical advice, Parklands Christian College encourages students to remain out of the direct sun when and wherever possible. When activities must take place outdoors, we will encourage our students to protect themselves from the harmful UV sunrays in the following ways:

HATS

- Hats are to be worn when outside of a classroom. This includes, but is not limited to, walking between classes.
- Students must wear their PCC sports cap or bucket hat when participating in outside sport and other outdoor activities. *No hat means no play.*
- The broad brimmed formal hats are to be kept in a neat and rigid shape and worn with formal uniform.
- Students who wear cultural head coverings (such as fabric top knots or wraps) are still expected to purchase and wear the approved school hat when outdoors. The hat should be worn in a manner that respects both cultural practices and the school's sun safety requirements.

SUNGLASSES

- Students are allowed to wear sunglasses to protect their eyes from harmful UV radiation while participating in outdoor activities and walking between classes (when safe and appropriate to do so.)
- Fashion sunglasses with minimal UV rating are not permitted.
- Sunglasses should be stored in a sunglasses case and placed on desks, whilst in classroom spaces.

SUNSCREEN

- New: Students are expected to bring and use high-protection sunscreen for all outdoor school activities, especially when wearing a hat is impractical (e.g. during running or swimming). Sunscreen is also available from the Physical Education Department.

SPORTS SKINS (Compression clothing)

- Sports skins - shorts and short sleeved shirts are permitted in navy blue or black in conjunction with sports uniform only.

Bike riding

The following information outlines the uniform expectations for students riding their bikes to and from school:

- Students are permitted to wear non-identifying Parklands clothes while riding to school, provided that the student changes into their school uniform within a reasonable timeframe after arriving on the school grounds.
- Students are permitted to use a non-identifying Parklands bag while riding, provided that the student keeps their school bag in their locker and uses their school bag during school hours.
- Students are expected to always wear their helmet, properly secured, when riding their bike to and from school, including whilst in the school car park.
- Students are encouraged to leave their formal school hat in their locker or in the for safe keeping during after school hours.
- Parklands Christian College does not accept responsibility for students riding bicycles to and from school. Parents/Caregivers must ensure their child understands and adheres to road and sun safety practices while cycling.

Follow up procedures

The Principal and Head of School reserve the right to suspend a student internally (at school) or externally (at home) for failing to comply with Parklands Christian College uniform standards, as outlined in this document or reasonably implied in accordance with our College Values and Codes of Conduct.

- Students are required to attend RTC before 8:30am to be allocated a uniform pass if wearing incorrect uniform items.
- Repeated uniform infringements will result in a referral to the Responsible Thinking Classroom (RTC) for non-compliance.
- Parents/Caregivers will be notified either by email or phone to advise them of student uniform infringement.
- Parents/Caregivers are asked to support the College by rectifying the uniform standard promptly.
- Students will be required to put inappropriate items in their school bag. If the item is seen again, it will be confiscated and must be collected from Student Services by the parent/caregiver.
- Where an item cannot be removed, the parent/caregiver will be contacted to collect their child.
- Parents/caregivers will be notified by phone or email if uniform infringements become a recurring issue, and further disciplinary action may be taken.

Uniform Compliance

Parents/caregivers are required to actively assist and support the College's uniform policy. Any uniform infringement must be rectified promptly, with a maximum of five (5) days allowed for resolution in certain limited circumstances.

- **Jewellery:** Inappropriate jewellery will be confiscated and must be collected by parents/caregivers from Student Services.
- **Personal Presentation:** Students with non-compliant shaving, makeup, or nail colour will be sent to Student Services to remove these before returning to class.
- **Non-removable Items:** Where an item cannot be removed, parents/caregivers will be contacted and required to collect their child from the College.

FAILURE TO COMPLY

Further infringements after this five (5) day grace period will constitute direct disobedience. This may result in a behaviour management response in line with the Responsible Thinking Process (RTP) and at the discretion of the Heads of School or the Principal.

Lost and found

Parklands Christian College does not take responsibility for the loss of any uniform item or personal accessory (such as watches, earrings, or similar). These items remain the responsibility of the student. For this reason, valuable items should not be brought to school.

If a uniform item is lost, students are encouraged to take the following steps:

- Search carefully: Look in the last place the item was used, such as the bag rack, locker, or Student Services.
- Notify relevant people: Inform parents/caregivers, Teacher, Home Class Teacher, and Head of Year that the item is missing.
- Community check: Ask the Home Class Teacher or Head of Year to request that students check their own belongings (e.g., hats with names).
- Replacement process: Negotiate a reasonable timeframe with the RTC for replacing the item. A uniform pass will be issued and, if needed, an alternate item may be temporarily approved.
- Label clearly: Once the item is found or replaced, ensure it is clearly labelled with the student's name in at least 2 places, and update the label if required.

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