PARKDALE SECONDARY COLLEGE
UNIFORM AND DRESS CODE POLICY

REVIEW DATE: 2025
REVIEW PERIOD: 2022- 2026
RATIFIED BY SCHOOL COUNCIL: November 2025 (for implementation 28th January 2026)

Our uniform makes a positive contribution to the culture of the College through establishing a sense of pride and identity. It enables cohesion and enhances the profile of the College and its students within the broader community.

The College Council has developed this Uniform Policy in consultation with the school community. The policy outlines clear requirements and expectations for student dress and presentation. The approved uniform items are designed to ensure students can safely and comfortably participate in the wide range of school activities offered. The College is committed to providing uniform options that are high in quality, good value for money, and affordable for families.
This policy is inclusive and not restricted by gender or season. The Uniform Policy is reviewed by the College Council every two years to ensure it remains current, equitable, and reflective of community expectations.

UNIFORM

- All students are to be in full College uniform from the very first day to the very last day of the school year.
- All students are to be in full College uniform when travelling to and from school, and when attending excursions, incursions and official school functions.
- All items of uniform must be well-presented and in good order.
- All items of clothing (including shoes) must be labelled.
- Parents are asked to ensure that their child applies sunscreen before all outdoor activities (extra supplies are available at school).

OUT OF UNIFORM

Students out of uniform must bring a note from their parent/guardian explaining the reason for being out of uniform and must carry an 'Out of Uniform' pass issued by their Tutor Teacher. Tutor teachers will work in conjunction with Year Level Coordinators to discuss consequences if necessary.

No student should be in their Physical Education uniform or sports shoes in Tutor Group or in any classes.
The only exceptions to this rule are:

Year 7s – TUESDAYS & days when they have a timetabled PE class they may wear PE uniform all day.
Year 8s – FRIDAYS & days when they have a timetabled PE class they may wear PE uniform all day.

BREACHES OF UNIFORM POLICY

FIRST breach:

- Students will serve a lunchtime detention on the date of the breach.
- A reminder and request to remove the banned item.

SECOND and further breaches:

- An escalation of consequences that may include: contacting parents, confiscation of banned items (items confiscated will be stored securely and returned to student at an agreed time), detention, withdrawal from activities/class.

EXEMPTIONS FROM UNIFORM POLICY

Decisions about exceptions will be made on an individual basis, in consultation with parents.
Legal requirements necessitate that exemptions from the Parkdale Secondary College Uniform Code can be provided where an aspect of the code:

- Prevents compliance with an ethnic, religious or cultural belief;
- Prevents students with disabilities from being able to participate in school;
- Affects a health condition.

Applications must be made in writing to the Principal by the beginning of the school year and must be accompanied with the necessary verification documentation, e.g. Medical certificate, a letter from religious leader, etc.
In cases of economic hardship, parents or guardians should contact the Business Manager or Wellbeing Team for assistance.

All School Council approved uniform are available from Bob Stewart, 93 Balcombe Road, Mentone on online at bobstewart.com.au
Second-hand items may be available for purchase through: https://www.sustainableschoolshop.com.au/ or at the Annual Parents Assocation Second hand uniform sale

EVALUATION

This policy will be reviewed and ratified every 4 years by School Council.
Proposed amendments to this policy will be discussed with student representatives, staff and School Council.

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COLLEGE UNIFORM The following items are approved uniform items to be worn to school each day, including travelling from home to school and from school to home. School uniform is also required when attending excursions, incursions and official school functions.	
DRESS	Official College white, navy and green check dress. Easy care polyester/cotton. White collar with navy piping.
SHIRTS	Official College striped with College crest – Short or Long-sleeved.
SKIRT	Official College navy striped skirt.
SHORTS	Tailored navy dress shorts (Non branded/ no logos) – **please check style guide below.**
TROUSERS	Tailored navy dress pants (Non branded/ no logos) – **please check style guide below.**
SOCKS/TIGHTS	Plain white above ankle socks (no logos) Plain navy or black tights with skirt
SHOES	ONLY Standard plain black leather polishable lace-up **school shoes** (No logos) **– Please check style guide below.**
OPTIONAL OUTER GARMENTS Outer garments to be worn with school or sport uniform; can be worn indoor & outdoor.	
JUMPER	Official College blue jumper. (Year 12 students may wear the College blue jumper or the Year 12 top.)
BLAZER	Official College blazer
SHELL JACKET	Official softshell jacket with college crest.
OPTIONAL ACCESSORIES	
BELT	Plain black leather/vinyl belt.
SCARF	Navy plain knit scarf.
TIE	Official Parkdale Secondary College diagonal navy, green gold striped tie.
BAGS	Official Parkdale Secondary College school bag
SPORTS UNIFORM AND PHYSICAL EDUCATION UNIFORM The correct sport uniform must be worn in Physical Education classes, sport and in any inter-College sporting events. For OH & S reasons any pockets on shorts and tracksuit pants MUST be secured with a zip.	
SPORT POLO	Official College navy/green with crest.
SPORTS SHORTS	Plain navy sports shorts – mid thigh length – Zip pockets ONLY (Non branded/ no logos) – **please check style guide below**
TRACK PANTS	Plain navy trackpants (NOT Leggings) - Zip pockets ONLY (Non branded/ no logos) – **please check style guide below.**
RUGBY TOP	Official College striped top with crest.
SOCKS	Plain white above ankle socks (Non branded/no logos)
HAT	Official College cap or plain navy wide-brimmed hat MUST be worn for all PE/Sports classes and outdoor excursions during Terms 1 and 4. Students are also encouraged to wear them during recess and lunch breaks.
SHELL JACKET	Official softshell jacket with college crest.
ESP ONLY	Official College ESP singlet or long sleeved top with crest.
GENERAL	
HAIR	Hair is to be well-managed, clean, safe and off the face. Long hair is to be tied back in all practical classes. Hair colour is to be natural looking and not extreme. Extreme styles and/or 'trends' are not permitted. The Principal will make the final decision regarding extreme hairstyles. Facial hair must be clean, neat and trimmed.
MAKE UP	Makeup must not be obvious or excessive. Coloured nail polish is not permitted. Nails must be of a length that does not impact on capacity to complete school activities in a safe manner.
JEWELLERY	Permitted jewellery: – **please check style guide below.** • Watch • Earrings – stud or sleeper ONLY. Maximum of two per ear. Sleepers no larger than 10mm in diameter • Nose – silver or gold stud ONLY. Maximum of one. Stud no larger than 2mm in diameter. • No other visible piercings permitted
OTHER	NO visible tattoos. Any items worn under the uniform must be plain white, without designs, and not visible.
SUNSMART	Students are encouraged to be sunsmart and wear hat, sunglasses, long sleeves and sunscreen when outside.

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JEWELLERY

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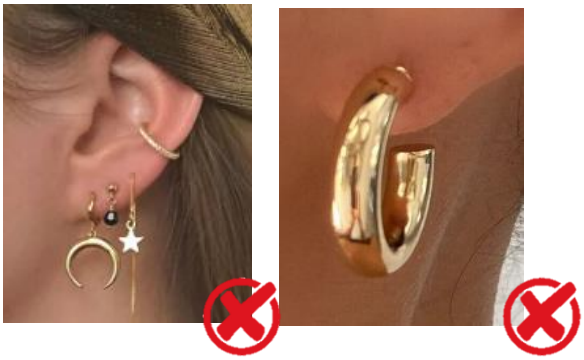

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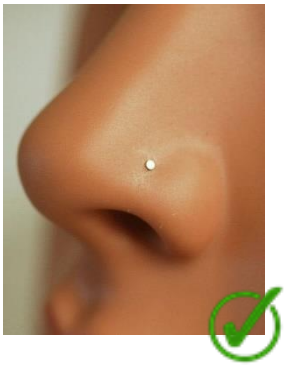

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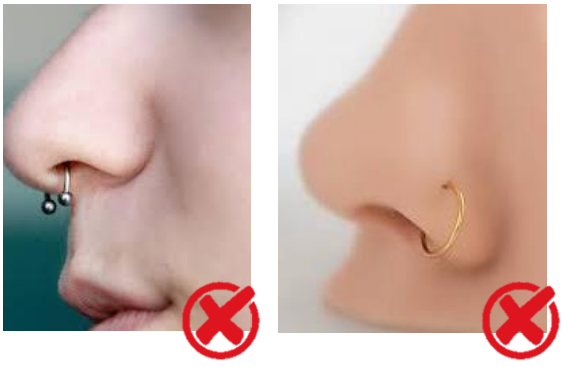

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SHOES

MUST be black polishable lace up school shoes.

ACCEPTABLE

NOT ACCEPTABLE

Style guide for socks

Socks MUST be plain white above ankle socks.

No visible branding or logos.

PSC striped socks may still be worn.

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Style guide for non branded School Uniform item

Trousers and shorts MUST be:

Navy Blue
Tailored straight legged style
No visible branding or logos
No Leggings or tracksuit pants permitted

Style guide for Sport Uniform

Sports uniform MUST meet the OH&S requirements of no open pockets.

Sports shorts MUST be:

Navy Blue
Flexible fabric
No open pockets (zip pockets acceptable)
Mid thigh length
No visible branding or logos
No bike shorts

PSC branded shorts may still be worn

Sports trackpants MUST be:

Navy blue
Flexible fabric
No open pockets (zip pockets acceptable)
Banded cuff at bottom
No visible branding or logo
No leggings

PSC branded trackpants may still be worn